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6 to 7-Inch Snowfall Hits Area, Causes 1 Death

NEW YORK CITY IS BURIED BY 19-INCH SNOW

Highway Traffic Snarled, Harbor Activities Slowed To Crawl by Heavy Fall

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP) —A wind-whipped snow storm swept all of the northeastern region of the United States today with the heaviest fall of the Winter and covered the nation's largest city with a blanket of white 19.2 inches deep.

The heavy fall reached the 19.2 inch depth in New York City at midnight and the weather bureau predicted one or two more inches would fall before the storm ended, possibly early Monday morning.

Giant drifts clogged the sprawling metropolitan area and snow and ice-glazed roads made surface travel hazardous in many sections of the entire storm area.

New York City's harbor traffic, plagued by near zero visibility, was slowed to a crawl.

Increasing in intensity as the day wore on, the storm at one time threatened to rival the record fall of the past Dec 26 when 25.8 inches of snow buried New York City, paralyzing all surface travel and severing many of its vital supply lines.

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ALTHOUGH TODAY'S fall, propelled by high winds, hampered plane and vehicular traffic, the metropolitan area's vast transportation network continued to operate on near-normal schedules.

After increasing in intensity at dusk, the storm began abating shortly after 8 p. m.

The weather bureau said it expected the fall to continue three or four hours at a "fair rate" and then taper off steadily toward dawn.

The bureau said the storm late tonight apparently was moving farther out to sea.

New York City's international airport at Idlewild was closed to all operations until further notice because of heavy drifts on the runways.

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A 20-INCH FALL would be the second heaviest for any 24-hour period in New York City's history.

Although New York city's sprawling lifelines were not immediately perilled, Mayor William O'Dwyer summoned key officials—to an emergency session.

An army of 18,340 men was mobilized for snow removal work.

Thousands of trucks, plows and other equipment were pressed into service to keep city streets open to traffic.

Officers Installed By Doehler Local

Newly-elected officers of Local 703, Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (CIO), were installed yesterday for the 1949 term at a union meeting in the Die Caster's club hall.

They included Dee F. Wampler, president; Joseph Mack, vice president; John Linderman, financial secretary; Sidney Peart, recording secretary; Charles H. Noll, treasurer; Alexander Corbett warden, and Henry L. Slade, conductor, all elected the past Nov. 23.

Gustav H. Schade Jr., retiring president, was in charge of the installation.

Schade reported that $733 had been collected in the Doehler-Jarvis plant the past Friday, for the benefit of sick employes.

Another $200 was added yesterday by the union to this fund.

One hundred members of Local 703 attended the meeting yesterday morning.

Former Actress Loses Jewelry Aboard Ship

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP)—A former French film actress reported the loss of five pieces of diamond jewelry valued at $9000 while en route here aboard the liner Nieuw Amsterdam.

Miss Magda T'Serstevens, of Buenos Aires, said a small bag containing the jewelry disappeared from a larger handbag she left on a deck chair Friday.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Mostly cloudy and not so cold today. Partly cloudy and slightly milder tomorrow.

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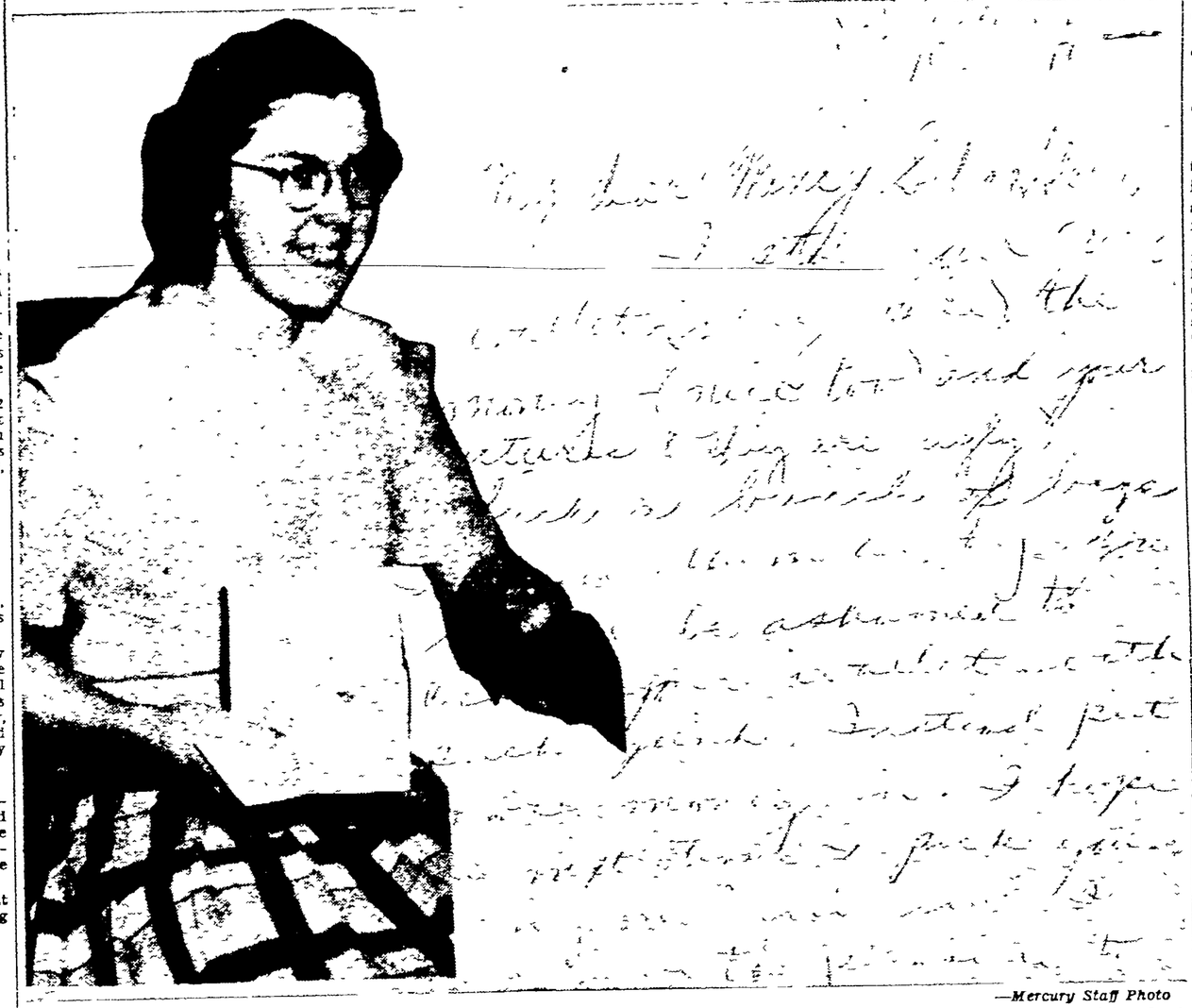
High **Antics** *Low*

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m.	23	4 p. m.	25
5 a. m.	26	5 p. m.	25
6 a. m.	26	6 p. m.	25
7 a. m.	26	7 p. m.	26
8 a. m.	26	8 p. m.	27
9 a. m.	26	9 p. m.	27
10 a. m.	26	10 p. m.	27
11 a. m.	26	11 p. m.	27
12 m.	27	12 p. m.	27
1 p. m.	27	1 a. m.	27
2 p. m.	27	2 a. m.	27
3 p. m.	26	3 a. m.	27

Thief Has Own Yule Spirit—'It Is More Profitable to Take'



—Mercury Staff Photo

Wanted: A handwriting expert. Miss Nancy Schaeffer, of 24 East Fifth street, is shown as she tries to solve the mystery of the "Thoughtful Shop Lifter" who wrote the letter reproduced above. The shop lifter stole Miss Schaeffer's wallet, similar to the one she is holding, kept the $7 it held, then sent back two legal cards and a fine example in writing of what the Christmas spirit should not produce.

DUTCH CAPTURE JOGJAKARTA

Indonesian Capital Falls; Leaders of Republic Are Interned by Captors

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 19 (AP) — Dutch parachute and airborne troops seized Jogjakarta today and immediately interned the top leaders of the young Indonesian republic.

A Netherlands communique said Dr. Soekarno, president of the republic; Premier Mohamed Hatta, Foreign Minister Agus Salim and Sutan Sjahrir, a former premier, were taken into custody.

The Batavia radio said Gen. Soedirman, commander of the republican army, was also captured at Jogjakarta. The broadcast said Soedirman was sick. There was no official confirmation.

The capture of Jogjakarta deprived the republic of its capital in the first hours of renewed warfare in the East Indies.

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THE DUTCH ALSO announced that their units had advanced across old truce lines at several places in Java and Sumatra. Thus far the poorly equipped republican army appears to have put up little resistance.

There was no word from either side that the republicans were employing the scorched earth tactics they have threatened.

(In Paris, the United Nations Security council was called to meet at 10:30 a. m. Monday to consider the Indonesian warfare. The meeting was called at the request of the United States and Australia.

The Dutch U. N. delegate told reporters his government considers the Indonesian question a domestic affair beyond the council's jurisdiction.

High Street Home Bought At Auction by Ludwick

A 14-room house at 1011 High street was purchased at public auction Saturday afternoon for $16,700 by J. G. Ludwick, East High street, Auctioneer Ralph T. Richards said yesterday.

Ludwick was one of five persons bidding for the three-story stone and brick house, which was part of the estate of Estella H. Wells.

The house was built in 1910. Part of the building has been made into two five-room apartments.

Diamonds, Wedding Rings. Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, 17 N. Hanover.

Regular office hours will be resumed today. Jesse G. Hafer, M. D.

Associated Master Barber Shops open all day Wednesday, Dec. 22.

Dresser Sets. Stone's Jewelry Store.

Thayer Doll Coaches and Strollers. Wilke Furniture House.

Trees, Wreaths, Lights, Decorations. Lester R. Daub, 114 South Hanover.

Finest Maine fir, spruce Christmas trees. Third and York Sts.

Silver Holloware. Stone's, 210 High.

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Thief Sends Yule 'Greetings' To Victim in Insulting Letter

Pottstown mailmen had a big load over the weekend, but they could be cheered on their way by the thought that their sacks contained anonymous gifts, thoughts of others and bright packages.

But one of the letters—addressed to Nancy Schaeffer, 20, of 24 East Fifth street—was a strange burden for the Christmas mail. This letter revealed an anonymous theft, selfish thoughts and "bright" remarks.

Miss Schaeffer believed at first that the letter might be a practical joke, but after careful consideration of the facts, she could only decide that it was the work of someone whom the spirit of Christmas had passed by.

The prelude to the letter was this.

An unknown shop lifter stole her green wallet from a High street store the past Wednesday while she was showing a Christmas dress she had just bought to a girl friend.

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MISS SCHAEFFER'S BACK was turned for only a few seconds, but the few seconds were long enough for the bag to vanish.

As soon as she realized that the bag was not lost, but stolen, Miss Schaeffer went to The Mercury office and inserted a "lost ad" in the classified columns.

When the following letter arrived, it contained Nancy's Social Security card and driver's license, but not the $7 that had been in it. Also missing, were valued pictures of relatives and friends, a personal paper and two three-cent stamps.

Here is the letter, its punctuation unchanged:

"My dear Nancy Schaeffer,

I stole your green wallet—(very nice), the money—(nice too) and your pictures (They are ugly).

Such a bunch of bags I threw them away. You should be ashamed to cram your wallet with such junk. Instead put more money in. I hope the next time I pick yours or any one else's up, I will have the pleasure to thank them for more than I can thank you for.

Merry Christmas
& a Happy New Year
Thoughtful Shop Lifter

P S—Oh, by the way I am returning your drivers license and Social Security card. Really I should not give your drivers license back, you only waste money on gas but thats just it Im too honest. Im even using a 2 cent stamp you gave me. I'll keep the others.

Thank You"

Miss Schaeffer and her family first thought perhaps the whole thing might be some off-base practical joke.

But when they realized that only the person who had taken the purse could return the social security cards and license, they were convinced that if the sender of the letter was not precisely thoughtful, he or she was most certainly a shop lifter.

She turned the letter over to Pottstown police in the hope they might be able to trace the handwriting to some known offender.

So far, no results.

Band and Vocalists Praised for Concert Of Christmas Flavor

By JOHN K. BINDER
(Mercury Staff Writer)

White Christmas scenic effects staged yesterday by Old Man Winter added Yuletide atmosphere to the annual Christmas concert presented in the afternoon in the Senior High school auditorium by the Pottstown band, ably assisted by the Senior High school choir, Mrs. William F. Lamb Jr., director, and the Meistersingers, directed by Mrs. Norman Leppard.

Despite the inclement weather conditions, more than 900 music lovers enjoyed the diversified program arranged by William F. Lamb Jr., band director.

Probably the most impressive number on the excellent program was the rendition by band and the high school chorus of Fred Waring's arrangement of "The Night Before Christmas."

Soloists were the Misses Freda Schindler, Barbara Binder, Nancy Moore, Collette Thomas, Mildred Deloplaine, Doris Buck and Olga Hritzko and Messrs. Jimmy Christman and Calvin Myers. Santa Claus laugh effects were given by Henry Boyer.

Displaying very pleasing tonal effects and careful attention to phrasing, the choir also was heard in the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's oratorio, "Messiah"; "O Holy Lord," by Tschaikowsky; "Christmas Is Coming" and "Polly Wolly Doodle." The Negro spiritual,

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SHIP IS ABANDONED

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 19 (AP) — The Coast Guard said tonight the crew of the Honduran vessel San Luis were abandoning ship off Cape San Antonio, Cuba.

Quick Radio Repairs. Call 3830. J. Pegely & Son, 38 High St.

Piano Tuning and Rebuilding. Joseph E. Mack. Phone 3445-J.

Piano Instruction. Robert E. Eppehimer. Phone 1761-M.

Christmas trees. All kinds and sizes. Ed Merkel, 453 Beech St.

Store open evenings, 7 to 9. Hatfield & Shaner, 150 High.

Laurel Locks restaurant closed for season. Will reopen March 1.

Ronson Lighters. Stone's Jewelry Store.

Pearls, Compacts. Andre, 68 High.

Area 'Medical Miracle' Man Dies 13½ Years After Number Was Up

Death yesterday ended the uphill struggle for life of a Hoffmansville casket-maker whose case had been something of a medical miracle for the past 13-and-a-half years.

William N. Stoffiet, 42, died at noon yesterday of uremic poisoning in his home where he had been confined since June 28, 1935 when he severed his spinal cord in a fall from a cherry tree.

Crippled from the waist down since the accident, the paralysis had crept to his kidneys causing his death, Dr. Charles B. Dotterrer, Boyertown, his family physician, said last night.

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NO ONE SAW the accident happen but later family members reconstructed the action.

Stoffiet was about 15 feet up in a cherry tree on his 15-acre farm when he slipped. Crashing down, the husky six-foot two-inch man struck a limb with the small of his back.

For more than half an hour he lay where he had fallen before his father, the late Frank F., who lived

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Rhapsody Diamonds. Stone's Jewelry Store.

O'Dell Brothers. Fine Beers and Beverages. Phone 40.

Chairs glued, repaired, refinished. Tosher, Farmington ave. Ph. 2726-J.

Election of Officers, Pottstown Quoit Club. See page 16

Bathroom Scales
"Go to Reidenouer's. They Have It"

Rings, Bracelets. Andre, 68 High

Look for Food Specials. Hartenstine's Market Ad. Page 7. Big Values!

Watches, Diamonds, Wedding Rings. Levin's, High and Hanover streets.

For your Christmas Gifts see Andre, Jeweler, 68 High street.

Assorted colors Rytex Printed Stationery. Mercury Office.

Diamonds of Quality. Andre, Jeweler, 68 High street.

Art Carved Wedding Rings. Stone's!

Harry Engle, Store Manager, Dies While Shoveling on Roof

Harry T. Engle, 66, general manager of the Ellis Mills department store in Pottstown for more than 25 years, died late yesterday afternoon of a heart attack caused by shoveling snow from the roof of his home, 1043 Queen street.

He was stricken while working on the sloping roof at the rear of his home. A few moments after he collapsed, and was lying on the edge of the roof, he was seen by next-door neighbors at 1045 Queen street, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Garner.

The Garner's son, Kenneth, was first to reach Mr. Engle. He climbed to the roof by way of a rear stairway.

Mr. Engle still was breathing when the younger Garner arrived. The older Garner also climbed to the roof, while Mrs. Garner summoned Dr. Ralph H. Merkel. But the store manager died minutes later.

Dr. Merkel told the family that he believed the attack was caused by over-exertion in his work on the roof of the home where Mr. Engle had lived for the past 45 years.

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OFFICIALS OF the Ellis Mills store said that Mr. Engle had appeared in perfect health recently.

As was his custom, he was at the store yesterday morning to make a check. And earlier in the week, he had been performing his duties both on the floor of the store and in his office at the front of the first-floor balcony.

Mr. Engle, a lifelong Potstown resident, was an employe of the store for the past 47 years, making him one of the oldest employes, in point of service, at a store noted for having a group of veteran employes.

He first joined the store as an errand boy when he was ten years old, working after school.

After graduating from Pottstown High school and later the Pottstown Business college, he began working his way up the ladder of management.

To round out his early training, he took a course in window dressing at the John Wanamaker store in Philadelphia.

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IN ADDITION TO serving as general manager, he had for a long period served as the active head of the business.

This was during the illness of the late William E. Mills, former president. Mr. Mills' widow, Mrs. Roberta R. Mills, of 770 High street, is currently store president.

When his firm conducted a store in Reading a quarter of a century ago, Mr. Engle commuted there to serve as manager of both stores.

He was married to Blanche L. Setzler, a daughter of the late J. B. Setzler, a principal of the old Grant school in Pottstown.

Mr. Engle was the son of the late Daniel and Ellen (Trace) Engle.

His chief leisure activities were hunting and fishing, although the work schedule has set for himself, which found him at the store seven days a week, left little time for outside interests.

A member for many years of

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Scientists Going Blind From Atom, Doctor Says

NEWTON, Mass., Dec. 19 (AP)—Dr. Shields Warren, head of the atomic energy commission's medical department, said today several U. S. scientists were going blind as a result, apparently, of radiation from atom-smashing machines.

Dr. Warren, who said there were "about five" in the country, added:

"There is no evidence at the present time that they were working on the immediate problems of atomic energy."

Still groggy from the icy left jab of four days ago, the Pottstown area crumpled under the blow of a 6½ to 7-inch snowfall yesterday.

The snow fell without a let-up between 5:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. In some sections of Chester and Berks counties, up to 10 inches was reported.

The big blanket tied up transportation, caused "innumerable accidents," State police said, and slowed everyone's pace.

Two persons were hurt, one badly, and hundreds of others were jostled when skidding cars bumped or hit the ditch.

Branches of the State Highway department in Berks, Montgomery and Chester counties reported last night that main State highways were cleared and that dusk today should see all secondary State roads plowed. All agreed that lack of drifting had helped a lot.

Although the wind never rose above five miles per hour, a mercury in the mid 20s through most of the day allowed for no melting.

The weather bureau looked for some melting this afternoon as the mercury rises under cloudy skies.

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MEANWHILE, yesterday also was a time to drag out tire chains, sleds, galoshes and shovels.

While householders got down to solid duty on the south end of a shovel, kids took to the hills and started working a Summer's worth of rust off runners, while still other youngsters began hiring themselves out as shovelers. Getting on kinked chains in the deep snow was an angry experience for many.

Burgess William A. Griffith asked residents to clear off sidewalks as soon as possible to open the walks for pedestrians.

Borough and county highway departments threw everything they had into the struggle for clear roads.

In Pottstown W. Earl Potteiger and eight men on four trucks scoured main thoroughfares and will hit the streets again early today.

Two plows channeled out High and King strets and other main routes in the center of town. A rented loader, working with the trucks, made rounds all afternoon and far into the night picking up piles left by plows.

Potteiger dumped loads of cinders mixed with calcium chloride on most central borough intersections to grit down smooth-packed snow and help melt the covering.

Another loader will be added today as the process goes on, Borough Manager Dow L. Sears, who supervised the entire job, said last night.

Montgomery county threw all its reserves into the battle. Forty-one plows traveled highways up to 10 o'clock last night. The snow was not packed or very wet, so plows could travel at top speed of 20 to 25 miles per hour.

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IN CHESTER COUNTY, 45 plows worked on toward midnight, mostly sweeping secondary roads. In addition, cinder crews took care of all grades and curves. No State roads

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Two Persons Injured as Autos Skid

Two persons were injured, one seriously, in a day-long series of automobile accidents yesterday that accompanied the heavy snowfall.

State police in the Pottstown area reported "innumerable" accidents, most of them sight, as the relatively few cars on the highways stalled and skidded and slid into one another or off the roads.

Dr. Ferdinand Coroniti, 38, of Keiser, Northumberland county, suffered deep shock, possible fractures of the ribs and a possible contusion of the right lung when the car in which he and five of his brothers were riding skidded on Route 422, below Baumstown, at 12:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

He remained in "fair" condition in Memorial hospital last night. Dr. Caesar F. Sarni treated the physician.

Evo Coroniti, 22, also of Keiser, was driving east on the highway and approaching the end of the divided section of the road when the car hit the center island, concealed by snow.

The 1948 two-door sedan skidded 50 feet across the road, struck a guard rail and continued along the

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DISPOSAL PLANT DEADLINE IS SET

Borough Among 6 in Area To Be Ordered to Complete Secondary Unit by 1951

Four hundred thousand dollars worth of long-awaited bad news for the borough of Pottstown arrived Saturday from Harrisburg.

Pottstown was one of six communities in this area that will be ordered to build sewage disposal plants—before Jan. 1, 1951.

To accomplish this, the borough must borrow an estimated $400,000—leaving it a scant 20 percent of its maximum borrowing capacity with which to face the future's needs.

The alternative to this near-exhaustion of borrowing capacity would be the imposition of a sewer tax. With such a tax, the borough could float revenue bonds not chargeable to the debt limit.

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THE NEWS CAME from State Sanitary Water board and was its most far-reaching order since the Schuylkill clean-up program began.

All communities along the watershed must complete actual construction by the Jan. 1, 1951 deadline, it was announced by Dr. Norris W. Vaux, State Secretary of Health and chairman of the State Water board.

Borough Manager Dow L. Sears said last night that Pottstown officials, together with those from other nearby communities affected, would in-

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Pottstown RD3 Man Arrested After Crash

Wilmer M. Guest, 37, Pottstown RD 3 was arrested on a charge of driving while drunk Saturday night and released under $500 bail yesterday afternoon, pending a hearing today.

Guest was arrested by Patrolman Paul Galloway after he struck a car owned by John H. Griesemer and parked in front of his home at 801 Beech street.

Guest was driving west on Beech street when his vehicle struck the rear of Griesemer's, damaging the left rear fender, tail light and tire. The right front fender of Guest's car also was damaged, in the collision at 7:07 p. m.

The Pottstown RD 3 man was pronounced intoxicated by Dr. Harry K. Marcy Jr., police physician. Galloway took him to the physician after he noticed the man staggering when he left his car.

Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley, of the Second ward, will conduct Guest's hearing at 1 o'clock this afternoon in borough hall.

Hundreds of Youngsters Treated To Fun, Gifts at Yule Parties

Hundreds of Pottstown's youngest set started the Christmas week with a roar over the weekend as they attended parties at which they received gifts, saw their favorite motion pictures, gave Santa Claus an earful of their requests and stuffed themselves with candy, ice cream and cookies.

The Die Casters' club threw a party for children and their parents in the Hippodrome theater Saturday morning. Appropriately, a long program of movies was shown, the cheers and laughter growing louder as the procession of comedy shorts and cartoons moved across the screen.

Santa Claus handed out a stocking of candy to every youngster, as well as sewing sets, painting sets, basketballs and other presents, all fitting the age and sex of the boys and girls.

Alvin N. Chaplin was chairman of the committee in charge of the three and one-half hour party Saturday morning, and Robert R. VanHorn was master of ceremonies.

Members of the committee included Joseph P. Pollick, John B. Kramer, Michael Coren, Albert Reppert, Charles S. Hartenstine, Albert Corbett, Henry I. Slade and VanHorn.

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FOUR HUNDRED and sixty-four

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Look for Food Specials. Hartenstine's Market Ad. Page 7. Big Values!

Model Planes for the Boy
"Go to Reidenouer's. They Have It"

Leather Wallets. Stone's Jewelry Store.

Nearby Christmas trees, lights and cards. Keller's, Third and Johnson.

Table and Pocket Lighters. Andre, Jeweler, 68 High street.

Eye Examination. No Drops. Dr. Phillips, Optometrist, 340 High

All Patterns Silver. Stone's!

Necklaces and Earrings. Andre, Jeweler, 68 High street.

Moose Kiddies Christmas party, Tuesday night—7:15.

Look for Food Specials. Hartenstine's Market Ad. Page 7. Big Values!

Electric Clocks. Stone's Jewelry Store.

Model Trains for Dad
"Go to Reidenouer's. They Have It"

Store open evenings, 7 to 9. Hatfield & Shaner, 150 High.

Watches, Clocks. Andre, 68 High

ON THE MAIN DRAG

WILLIAM H. PRICE
—testing a truck horn.

RAYMOND BAUER
—losing his cap in the river.

MR. and MRS. FRANK CARELLI
—seeing Santa Claus.

FRANK ARGUE
—training his dog to carry a newspaper.

JACOB BINGAMAN
—removing storm debris.

CUTHBERT NABRN JR.
—removing a muskrat trap from a dog's leg.

NEVIN HAAS
—planning a Christmas school program.

NORMAN ELLIS
—receiving a romantic Christmas card.

MARJORIE JONES
—hunting her skis.

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Charred Bodies Lay Unclaimed After 13 Die In Bus Collision

TOOELE, Utah, Dec. 19 (AP)—Charred bodies of victims of a Western Utah bus collision which took 13 lives lay in an improvised morgue here today, some still unidentified 24 hours after the accident.

Twelve burned bodies were taken from the wreckage of the two Burlington Trailways buses. One woman died in a Salt Lake City hospital.

The two vehicles collided shortly after noon Saturday on U. S. Highway 40, 63 miles west of Salt Lake City. Forty-four persons were injured, some seriously.

State Highway Trooper John F. Ross said investigation indicated the westbound bus started to pass another car. The driver apparently saw the eastbound bus approaching, Ross said, and applied his brakes.

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THE OFFICER SAID the heavy vehicle then apparently skidded sideways and the eastbound bus smashed into it.

The driver of the eastbound bus D. W. Eggers of Salt Lake City, was killed. The driver of the Westbound bus, Lloyd D. Harris also of Salt Lake City, was cut and burned.

Deputy Sheriff Fay Gillette said identification of the bodies was difficult. They were placed in a garage at the Tooele funeral home here, 39 miles southeast of the crash scene.

One of the bodies was that of Sherry Ann Cook, 12, of Gold Hill, Utah. Gillette said the child was identified by her father, Fred Cook, who recognized a bracelet the girl wore. She was a deaf mute, Gillette said, en route to her home from the State school for the deaf at Ogden.

Survivors praised the work of Thomas H. Johnson, 19, of Thomaston, Ga. He was burned severely on the face and hands and witnesses said he was injured in helping at least two companions escape from their burning bus.

He tried to rescue a third but, he sobbed, "I'm afraid he died."

Many servicemen, soldiers and sailors, were passengers on the eastbound bus. They were en route to their homes on holiday leave.

COMPOSER TO WED MODEL

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 19 (AP)—Composer David Rose will marry model Betty Bugelow, 21, Dec. 28 in Las Vegas, Nev.

Mourn for Sea Tragedy Victims

Chinese mothers weep as the bodies of their children are carried past them at a wharf in Shanghai. The drowned youngsters were raised from the waters in which the Chinese steamer Kiangya sank off Woosung breakwater while carrying 4000 refugees. Most of the human cargo drowned. Divers recovered 1217 bodies yesterday from the hulk of the sunken ship

Red-Controlled Union Calls 24-Hour Strike Of Italian Workers

ROME, Dec 19 (AP)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi, facing a 24-hour nation-wide strike tomorrow by more than 1,000,000 government employes, said tonight that state workers' salaries in Italy always have been inadequate.

The strike was called by the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labor (CGIL) to protest what it called inadequate pay increases for state workers proposed by the government. The proposed increase would cost 41,000,000,000 lire ($68,300,000), to be met by tax increases.

The non-Communist Free Confederation of Labor (LCGIL), also holds the government increase to be inadequate but is awaiting returns from its member unions before deciding on a strike call. Members of the free confederation on the Government's payrolls, including those working for state-operated railroads, will be on the job tomorrow. This situation led to some fear of violence.

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IN A RADIO ADDRESS on the eve of the Communist-called strike, the premier said "public administration in Italy costs too much." He added that government workers absorb 44 percent of the state income and that the entire civil service structure needs reorganization.

De Gasperi called the government's proposed wage increase a "notable improvement" but added state workers' salaries always have been inadequate compared with pay scales for other workers. He said he did not hope with his "last minute" words to reach those who had decided to strike.

Guiseppe Di Vittorio, Communist head of the General Confederation, called on all workers to give their sympathy to the state employes. He asserted government employes' wages average 10,000 lire ($17) less monthly than that of other workers.

The strike is expected to test the relative strength of the two big union organizations. The general confederation claims between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 members. The free confederation, headed by Giulio Pastore, a member of the Christian Democratic party, is estimated to have a membership of 1,000,000.

New Streamlined!
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Twice as Many Pages
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SENATOR TO WED

PITTSBURGH, Dec 19 (AP)—The engagement of Senator Joseph M. Barr, 41 (D-Allegheny), to Alice Wilson, of Glencoe, Ill., was announced yesterday.

Gall-wasps of both sexes may be produced from unfertilized eggs.

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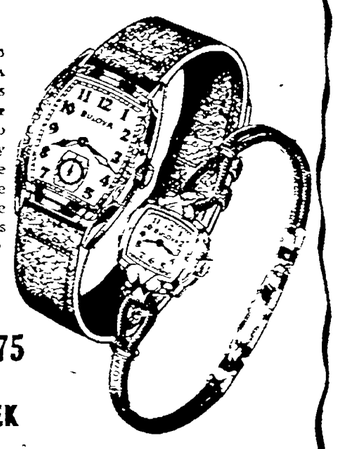

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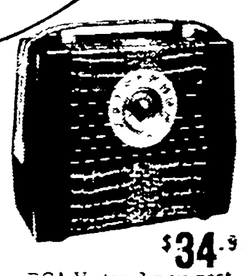

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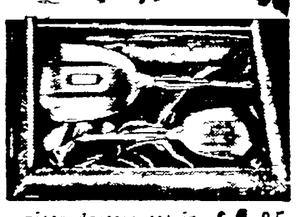

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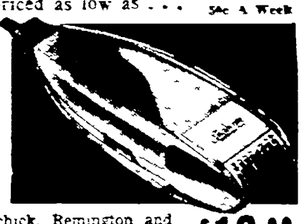

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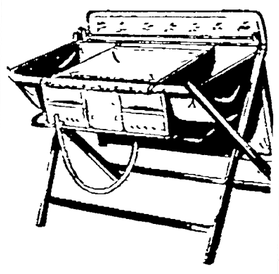

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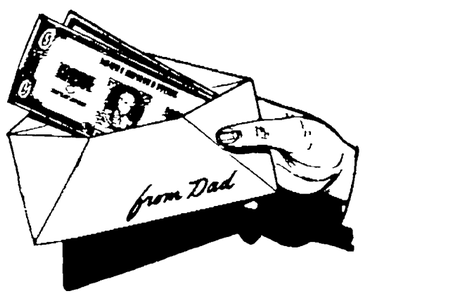

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Ex-Buddies Attend Funeral Rites for Pfc. Robert Kessler

With two of the men who had been with him in a German prisoner-of-war camp during World War II attending, a military funeral service for Robert E. Kessler, formerly of 19 South Keim street, was held at 2 30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Alvin Abrams, of Philadelphia, and Daniel Stecaler, of New York city, were at the services in the Synagog Mercy and Truth cemetery.

Pfc Kessler died Apr 9, 1945, of malnutrition in a German POW camp after he had been captured in the Battle of the Bulge while serving in the 29th Infantry division.

The military services were conducted by the Pottstown Veterans' Funeral council in conjunction with Leibing Friedman-Kessler post 363, Jewish War Veterans Pfc Kessler was one of the three men for whom the local JWV post was named.

Rabbi Emil Schorsch, of the Mercy and Truth synagog, officiated.

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BEARERS WERE Harold B Lefer, Horace N Princenthal, Charles Guitaroff, Ernest Printz, Philip Princenthal, Philip Raden, Gerald J Princenthal and Isadore Princenthal

Lester Rosen and Gerald J Princenthal conducted the military rites, and the color bearers were John B Amwake Smith G McAllister, Max Friedman, Morton Lerner, Frank Weber and LeRoy Koch

Color guards included David R. Williams, Howard E Kalis, Abba W Koenigsburg and Morton Schonberger

The firing squad, under the command of Sidney Pollock, was composed of Robert Miller, Herbert Philip, Emmanuel Rivlin, Sanders Philip, Joseph Raden and Emmanuel Berger

Douglas Schwenk sounded taps.

Military funeral services for T/Sgt. Anthony Malak, a former three-letter athlete at West Pottsgrove High school who was killed in the Normandy invasion, were held Saturday morning from a funeral home at 210 North York street.

The son of Joseph and Stella (Sockowski) Malak of 350 Beech street, he was 26 years old when he died of shrapnel wounds July 11, 1944

Solemn high requiem mass was celebrated in St Peter's Catholic church

The Rev John A. Naja, rector, was celebrant. The Rev Francis E. Suchanek, rector of St. Gabriel's Catholic church, Stowe, was deacon, and the Rev Charles Stelmach, assistant rector of St. Peter's aCtholic church, was subdeacon.

Interment was made in Holy

Buried Here

T/SGT. ANTHONY MALAK

Trinity cemetery, Stowe, where military rites were accorded by members of the Pottstown Veterans Funeral council.

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BEARERS WERE David R Williams, Peter Cronin, William Reightnour, Earl F Antrim, Robert Miller, John Feyko, Edward Pierman and Edmund Sobresky

Graveside rites were in charge of John B Amwake, council chairman, assisted by Williams, Earl F. Newton and William H. Yohn.

Color bearers were LeRoy B Koch and Joseph Johns Color guards were Frank Weber and Winfield Hedrick In the firing squad captained by William Wagner were Joseph A Kelly, Donald Paolucci, Kenneth Burke Paul Smith, Paul Hrasok and Charles Hall

Taps were sounded by Douglas Schwenk.

36 Persons on Picnic Die As Truck Rolls Into Train

BUENOS AIRES, Dec 19 (AP)—Thirty-six persons were killed today when a truck filled with 47 picnickers rolled down a hill into the side of a fast electric train Some of the other passengers in the truck were gravely injured

The accident occurred on the outskirts of Buenos Aires Railroad authorities said none of the resort-bound passengers aboard the train was hurt

A watchman who witnessed the crash said the truck's brakes apparently failed on the steep hill.

OBITUARIES

DOROTHY POLLOCK, native Pottstonian and sister of two Pottstown men, was found dead in her bed at 8 o'clock yesterday morning in her **NORRISTOWN** home.

The 38-year-old office manager succumbed suddenly to a heart attack, Dr. Samuel Cohen, Norristown, pronounced her dead.

For the past ten years Miss Pollock had been office manager of the M. Tose company, Norristown hauling contractors, with whom she had worked for the past 15 years.

She had been secretary for the Norristown branch of United Jewish Appeal for the past three years and was a member of Tiferes Israel synagog, Norristown

Born in her family's home on South street, she grew up here and was graduated from Pottstown Senior High school in the class of 1928 After that she took a position with H Mann company quarries for five years before going to the Tose company.

Living with her in Norristown were her father, Nathan, and sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Schwartz. Her mother, Mary (Sassaman) Pollock, died some time ago.

Other survivors are another sister, Mrs. Joseph Lutzack, Lansing, Mich., and two brothers, Maier, Pottstown YMCA, and Harry J, Franklin apartments

Funeral services will be held today at 3 30 p m from a funeral home at 718 Swede street, Norristown, with Rabbi Harold Kamsler officiating

Interment will be in Tiferes Israel cemetery.

Military funeral services for **GUY F. SWAVELY,** of **PHOENIXVILLE,** a steward of the Empire Hook and Ladder company and a member for the past 30 years, were held Saturday at 2 p m.

Services were held from 395 North Evans street, the home of a sister Mrs. Helen Hahn Officiating was the Rev Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church.

Mr Swavely served with Pottstown's Company A, 111th Infantry National Guard, in Germany in World War I. He held the Purple Heart with Oak Cluster.

Military rites were accorded at Mt Zion cemetery, where interment was made by the Pottstown Funeral council.

Bearers were Edward Pierman, Winfield Henrick, Frank Weber, LeRoy Johnson, LeRoy B. Koch, Edmund Sobresky and Harold Lefer

Color bearers were William Reightnour and Peter Cronin Color guards were Smith McAllister and Howard Kalis.

The firing squad, led by William Wagner, was composed of Joseph A Kelly, Donald Paolucci, Kenneth Burke, Paul Smith, Paul Hrasok

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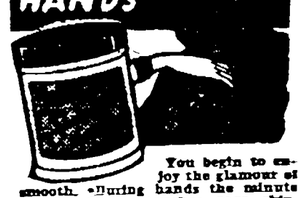

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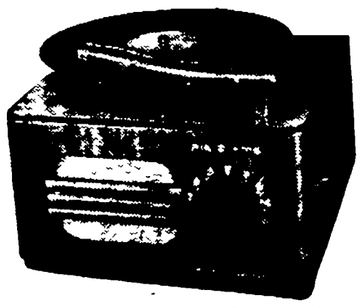

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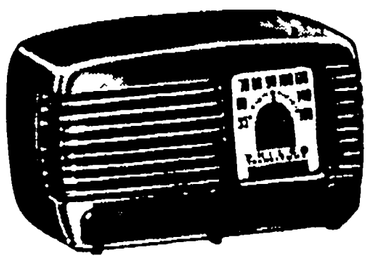

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The noblest motive is the public good.—Virgil.

Price Trend is Upward

IF THE judgment of representative business leaders is correct, those who anticipate a drop in the cost of living are doomed to disappointment.

The outlook now is that some prices—notably foods—will crossly decline during the coming year. However, even if this happens, it will be off-set by higher prices in other directions, principally in the field of manufactured goods.

A recent statement by Henry Ford II indicates the trend of thinking on the top industrial levels. According to him, a fourth-round wage increase "is inevitable." Then he said, "Prices, too, must go up. Prices are high today, maybe too high—but we can't lower them without lowering wage and material costs."

The attitude of the principal labor leaders is also indicative of things to come. At the recent CIO convention in Portland, Oregon, Mr. Murray, Mr. Reuther and other high executives in the organization laid most of the emphasis on plans for obtaining repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act, and for the framing of legislation which, in their view, would be favorable to labor. At the same time, they made it perfectly clear that they will demand, as a general thing, substantial wage increases. The AF of L is not so aggressive in attitude, but there is little doubt that it will follow a similar policy.

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It might be argued, as a theoretical proposition, that higher wages need not constitute any particular problem to industry—that all it has to do is to raise its prices to compensate and carry on in the same old groove. But that argument, in many cases, is simply not workable in practice, and for a variety of reasons.

First, there is a group of basic industries which cannot adjust their charges without permission of one or more governmental agencies. These are the regulated industries, of which the railroads are the most conspicious example at present.

There is another group of industries which must meet foreign competition. Here shipping is the best example. Foreign lines, which pay low wages and can operate more cheaply in all ways, are getting more and more tonnage.

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Finally, there are any number of industries which are perfectly free to raise prices as high as they like, but which must keep a worried eye on the consumer. In other words, it is one thing to price an article at a given figure, but it is a different thing to get people to buy it at that figure.

Consumer resistance has become an ominous factor in a number of fields, and is feared in others.

On top of that, it is not only the individual buyer that must be considered. The big industrial consumer often dominates the picture. For instance, coal is a source of energy which must be sold in competition with other sources of energy, such as oil. If coal prices should get out of line, there would be a gradual shift to other fuels—and then, of course, the employment offered by coal would steadily decline.

Labor argues that increases in living costs have made higher wages necessary. Industry replies that the trend of living costs is inevitably tied to the trend of wages. There is a great deal to be said on both sides.

The problem is to find a common meeting ground. Efforts in that direction will take up a large share of the national energy during the coming months.

Toys May Hurt

NEW Christmas toys can be dangerous to young children with prying fingers. Be sure they are safe.

The fire authorities advise taking especial care in choosing electric toys. Toys of inferior construction can cause severe burns or start serious fires in Christmas trees and flammable decorations.

Parents should inspect electric toys their children receive at Christmas and supervise their play with any electric set. The children may get a severe shock from touching a radiator or other "ground" while handling electric toys.

Here are general rules for safe toys:

1. Look for the Underwriters' Laboratories' Inc. markers on electric toys.

2. Don't buy toys using alcohol, kerosene, or gasoline. They are hazardous in juvenile hands.

3. Don't place electric trains around base of the Christmas tree.

4. Parents should plug and unplug electric toys themselves, rather than let small children do it. Play with electric toys should be supervised.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 19.

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where Washington says it'll have to raise taxes to keep the government out of the red. An appropriation also is needed to keep the Red out of the government!

An item says chemists have discovered a synthetic tar product that turns skin white. But it hardly will replace the lie detector, which shows persons in their true colors.

And say: There will be eight women representatives when the new Congress convenes. That shows women's place is in the House!

Hopin' you air the same,

GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

The name and complete address of the author must accompany every contribution but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 250 words will receive preference.

Police Officials' Duty to Defend Pottstown's Name

Chief's Duty to Testify

To the Editor: If Chief of Police Laughead was a man worthy of the job he holds, he would have offered his testimony at this hearing in Pottsville—which, by the way, looks to me as if somebody's face will be awfully red before it is over.

This is a proceeding at law. Then why doesn't our chief law enforcement officer step out and present himself as a witness? Has he something to hide?

Where is the police committee while Pottstown is being given a black eye for the failure of its police chief to appear in a case in which he apparently is involved?

How about it, Burgess Griffith? Get in there and plead for Pottstown. You took an oath when you took over your job as burgess. Isn't it time that you step in and carried it out?

Also, aren't you a bit curious as to where Chief Laughead was when the sheriff's deputies were trying to track him down? Is it a general policy to have the police department operated for 24 hours or more at a time when nobody knows where the chief is?

There are a few persons, including myself, who have a little to say about a situation such as this. We are getting sick of being shoved around by a bunch of amateur politicians. We want the cards laid on the table.

Pottstown G B B.

'Laxity' in Use of Profanity

To the Editor: The Pottstown Federation of Men's Bible Classes, 32b strong and composed of men from 32 various churches of town and vicinity, in their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, Dec. 14, voted as a group to file a protest in what they consider laxity in your duty as a public servant in permitting profanity to be used in the article concerning a taxidermist, Monday, Dec 13, in The Mercury.

This policy, contrary to Christian beliefs, can in time undermine scores of men's, parents', teachers,' and leaders' efforts to build in our children strong Christian character and we ask that negligence such as this be disallowed.

Price alone, in our town paper, as a product comparable with the nation's finest, resents any deviation from decency as practiced by other papers, radio and good literature.

Certainly you will understand and take steps to prevent any further laxity. We await future issues with confidence in your integrity.

Pottstown MERRILL M. UMSTEAD
Secretary

Not Fit to Print

To the Editor: I have noticed lately a tendency toward the increased use of profanity in the columns of The Mercury, not only in the Readers Say section but also in the regular news items.

The latest occasion was in Monday's paper (Dec. 13), front page, first column, in which two instances occur. The second instance involves the name of the Deity being used in a profane manner.

As a regular Mercury reader, as a father, and as a Sunday school officer, I wish to protest this use of profanity in print. It is neither desired nor appreciated.

Your usual good job of news coverage should not be spoiled by skirting the fringes of good taste.

Pottstown RD 2 J. DANIEL JONES

Against Big Calendar Art

To the Editor: Since 1949 calendars seem to be the topic for discussion, I would like to express extreme distaste for calendars—whether they have a picture of a pretty girl or a couple of dogs—with dates so small they barely can be read.

I think that calendars were created for one purpose—to remind one whether it's the 10th, when the milkman must be paid, or the 25th, when the payment is due on the wife's new coat.

Pretty pictures are all right in a frame on the wall. If they must be on calendars, keep them small and give more prominence to the dates.

Royersford E. B.

Give Peddlers the Brush-Off

To the Editor: All of the peddlers and house-to-house salesmen in Pennsylvania must mark the Hillcrest section of Pottstown as an easy target. We don't miss many, believe me!

One day last week my husband pounded on the door for five minutes, before I got around to see who it was and let him in, thinking he was just another peddler. It was bad enough to mistake him for a peddler (he didn't like it!) but, as any woman knows, it was worse to keep a hungry husband waiting outside of his own house.

I would like to use the privilege of your Readers Say column to appeal to other women in the neighborhood to close their doors to these house-to-house salesmen. If we all gang up to give them the quick brush-off, maybe we'll be rid of this nuisance.

Pottstown MRS R. G.

WASHINGTON

Truman Looking Around For Marshall Successor

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 — President Truman is Christmas-shopping for a Secretary of State of the stature of the late Charles Evans Hughes in an effort to wrest top control and execution of foreign policy from the military men, bankers and industrialists who have messed matters in Germany, Palestine and the Far East.

Secretary Marshall's illness, as well as the prospect that he may not be able to continue long in the cabinet, offers opportunity for the shift. So does the prospective resignation of Admiral William D. Leahy, White House Chief of Staff, after the January inauguration. Others expected to quit are Defense Secretary James V. Forrestal and Army Under-Secretary William H. Draper.

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AGENT: Although Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur may remain on as Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, and Major Gen. Frank R. McCoy as American member of the Far Eastern commission, they will be brought under stricter and closer White House and State department supervision when Mr. Truman becomes Chief Executive in his own right.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, our military governor in Germany, will become an agent rather than virtually sole executor of American foreign policies as they affect our relations with the former enemy, Britain, France and other war allies. Like General MacArthur, Washington believes that General Clay has got into an anti-Russian rut and complex instead of devoting his energy to the broad and long-range problem of European recovery.

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INHERITED: President Truman does not hold any of these men personally responsible for the mishandling and misdirection of American foreign policy. He inherited his colonial family from the Roosevelt Administration, with the exception of Secretary Marshall, and he did not have sufficient experience in the domestic or foreign field to make any changes.

Secretary Marshall has not held the actual office of Secretary of State, due to his many long absences from Washington, and now to his illness. He has been a diplomatic emissary and spokesman rather than actual director of foreign affairs. Moreover, he was predisposed to favor military men in both Washington and overseas posts because he knew how to deal with them. And until now the principal problem was the governing and policing of former enemy states.

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MODIFICATION: Whatever the reason, Clay, MacArthur and their aides get their orders from and report to Secretary Forrestal rather than to Secretary Marshall. Both in the transmission and execution of State Department directives, there is likely to be a change or a modification of the original orders. Clay and MacArthur frequently explain their failure to follow instructions precisely on the ground that local conditions necessitate an entirely different handling of the problem.

Whatever the reason, there has been almost no liaison or co-ordination among the White House, the State Department, the War Department and the executives on the spot. The result has been dissatisfaction among the governed, differences with our allies all around the globe and aggravation of our difficulties with Moscow.

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FEAR: General Clay, perhaps rightly, has permitted his military fear of Russia, to influence his policies. So has MacArthur in the Far East and Forrestal in the Middle East.

General Clay, for instance, stopped the dismantling of German factories because he figured that they would be needed in transforming the Reich into a buffer state against Moscow. For the same reason, he insists on reindustrialization of the Ruhr.

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

For
MISS DOROTHY THOMPSON
Douglassville

BECAUSE her engagement to Mr. Thomas Butler Snyder, Pine Brook farm, Oley, was announced recently.

The Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

Jottings in Pencil

TALK OF ROME'S cafe society is the torrid feud between Lynn Merrick, the starlet, and Marilyn Buferd, the former "Miss America." Lynn just walked off with a movie role supposedly in the bag for Marilyn, and to make things more exciting they're competing hotly for the affections of a top European director . . .

Lynn Merrick

The Maharajah of Baroda is sending rare jewels over here as collateral on heavy loans . . . Clement Attlee's son Martin is courting a stenographer in the U. S. Embassy in London . . .

King George may be flown to this country secretly for special treatment for his leg ailment. One of the nation's leading specialists in arterial diseases was summoned by the British Embassy some weeks ago to fly to England to see a "Very Important Personage," but seven days ago the emergency flight was cancelled and the doctor was told the "important person" soon would be flown to New York.

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IS DORIS DUKE planning to take another flyer in the magazine field—this time as a publisher? A person claiming to represent her has been asking for price tags on three fashion publications . . .

Latest worry among movie stars is the clause in all studio contracts which stipulates that stars waive television rights for all time without additional pay. The performers feel they are thereby being forced to make fabulous gifts of their widest future outlets to the film companies . . .

Incidentally, the department has been inundated with sweet but nonetheless razzing razzberries from the Lone Star State since it averred that "there is no television there now." The citizens of Fort Worth were quick to let me know that since Sept. 29, they have boasted a flourishing television station, WBAP-TV, which moreover is owned and operated by my own paper down there, the Star Telegram. Forgive me, Texas—forgive me!

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I LOVE LYNNE Gilmore's observation about the bride-to-be-or-not-to-be status of movie star Power's flame. She declares, "Linda Christian is the only girl in the world who wants a Ty for Christmas' . . .

Despite the crop-popularity of short hairdos, all the beautiful Copacabana girls continue to wear their tresses in neatly coiffed upsweeps, circa 1945. So, too, does Martha Raye. And most of the debutantes cling to the shoulder length glamor bobs.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

WHEN DANNY, the next to the youngest of our five children, was three and a half, he had a chance to go visiting.

"Danny, would you like to go home with Wanwah on the bus?" Mrs Crane inquired.

Danny's eyes sparkled, for Wahwah, as he called her, was a favorite cousin, and the idea of a bus ride also enticed him.

"Mamma go?" he asked eagerly.

"No, I must stay here and look after David and Judy," his mother replied.

This seemed to dampen his enthusiasm a little bit.

"My come back?" he inquired.

"Yes you'll come back in a few days."

"My go," he stated.

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SEVERAL ILLUMINATING bits of child psychology are contained in this dialogue.

First, you will observe that Danny uses the possessive pronoun "my" for the personal pronoun "I." Youngsters frequently do this.

The great American psychologist William James, once explained that the idea of "self" covers our possessions. So here is a beautiful example of that fact.

The pronoun "my" thus distinguishes Danny's toys from those of the other children. His playthings are a part of himself.

The second psychological point to mention is Danny's desire for his mother's company.

Even the delightful anticipation of going with his cousin to the farm, via a large bus, couldn't make him forget the wish to have his mother near.

This is a characteristic reaction of children and very laudable, at least up to a certain point. But social maturity demands that we learn to lean upon ourselves more and more, and depend less and less upon our parents.

The process of building self-reliance in an individual should begin in early childhood. He should be taught to stay at home for an evening with the maid or with some other loved one, while his parents attend the movies.

He should be encouraged to play with youngsters in neighboring homes. He should learn to be reasonably happy while visiting his grandparents or other loved ones, though his mother and father are not present.

Obviously, this educational process should be gradual. And the child should always be told the facts of the case, and reassured that his parents will soon be back with him.

Danny had never gone away alone for a visit until this trip. But he was willing to do so when he realized that he would be able to come back to mamma shortly.

Being one of five children, moreover, he was accustomed to only one fifth of our parental attention, so the shock was not as great as if he had been an "only" child, used to 100 percent of maternal devotion.

Send for my "Tests For Good Parents", enclosing a 3-cent stamped envelope, plus a dime.

In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 20, 1898

CHAMPION KISSER — Naval Hero Hobson, who sank the Merrimac in the Spanish American war, passed through here on his way to Reading. Since Hobson was kissed by Miss Arnold at Long Branch, N. J., he has kissed hundreds of girls, some of them residents of Pottstown and vicinity.

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$15,000 FIRE—The Schwenksville flour and saw mills of George H. Snoemaker were destroyed by fire believed to have been of incendiary origin. The premises have historic interest. George Washington's Continental army encamped there in 1777.

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HOTEL ROBBED—The Bramcote hotel was robbed. The money drawer was emptied of some cash. The intruders also took three bottles of whisky and several boxes of cigars.

25 Years Ago

December 20, 1923

ENTERTAINS POLICE—Burgess John K. Klink was host to members of the police department at a banquet at the Douglassville hotel. He was presented with a traveling bag by Borough Solicitor Jesse R. Evans, acting on behalf of the police force.

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SPICER BANQUET — Department heads and clerks of the Pottstown plant of the Spicer Manufacturing corporation attended a dinner in Library hall. Superintendent C. R. Guinee was toastmaster. Addresses were made by T. C. Vail, Plainfield, N. J., Harry Lewis, Reading, and Councilman David Pollock, this borough.

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WING SHOT DIES—Joseph H. Nettles, 59, Elks home steward and former crack wing shot died of pneumonia. He was born in Limerick and lived in Pottstown for 40 years.

10 Years Ago

December 20, 1938

LAX DRIVERS—A safety drive is being pushed here. H. S. "Happy" Hunter, who is in charge, said there are too many drivers who fail to give signals for turns. For careful attention to the rules, prizes were awarded to Gus Hedenberg, of 523 King street, and George Miletress, of 527 Glasgow street, Stowe.

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GENEROUS SCHOOL CHILDREN — More than 1100 cans of food and a lot of potatoes have been donated by school children for the Salvation Army and Family Welfare society, who will distribute the supplies to needy families.

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ELECT OFFICERS—Sanatoga Christian Endeavor society elected officers as follows: Helen De Kalb, president; Mrs. Joseph Kunkel, vice president; Mabel Borneman, secretary, Grace Keim, treasurer, and Frank Urffer, usher.

'WHERE LIGHTS ARE LOW!'

Hollywood

By EDITH GWYNN

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 19—Beverly Hills merchants, in the heart of the swank and "buying-power" area, are looking for a wailing wall. Because Christmas business is so slack this year . . . For the first time in their film life, Laurel and Hardy will be just part of a big cast. Starred for years, and then touring the world recently as a vaudeville team, they are now going into "You Can't Do That," which Glenn McCarthy, who is investing some of his Texas oil millions in movies, will make as his second feature. His first is "The Green Promise," with the 4-H Clubs as background . . . New Yorkers are laffing over the most recent boner of a scribe there. She viewed that "Lya de Putti, once co-starred with Emil Jannings in 'Variety', is trying to get her daughter to this country from Hungary." Lya de Putti died 17 years ago! . . . If Jesse Lasky has his way, that tremendously successful and maudlinly sentimental radio program 'Queen for a Day' will be transferred to the screen real soon—with all its goo intact. He's negotiating the deal right now . . .

Stan Laurel

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THE FIRST OF the three pictures that Mary Pickford and Buddy Rogers will produce together in Rome will be documentary film. Gee, certainly hate to see their famous menage, Pickfair, boarded up for the lengthy time they'll be away. We've had many a wonderful evening there . . . Some time ago it was noted here that actor Gene Walker had himself a job as a soda-jerk to tide him over the rough spots. Now he's doing a swell job in "The Torch Grows Dim" . . . Ye Gods! Have you seen Donald Nelson lately? He's lost so much weight that even his enemies would worry—if he had any, which we doubt . . . Ann Dvorak's husband, Igor, is now dancing in a Brooklyn night club . . . Don de Fore is "posing" for other things besides movie cameras these days. He has a fresh crop of ulcers. Hmmmm, maybe he's writing a book? . . . Oscar Levant is writing a follow-up to his tome, "Smattering of Ignorance."

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GREER GARSON, with Gen. Frank Armstrong and the Sy Bartletts, dinnering at La Rue. Armstrong is the hero of the Bartlett-Bierne Ley Book, 'Twelve O'Clock High"—and a really great and beloved guy. And soooo good-looking! Next night Sy and Ellen Drew partied for the good Gen. at Chasen's, with Gen. and Mrs. Ira Baker, Evelyn Keyes and John Huston, Gen. H. Atkinson, Tony Vieller, Johnny McKee, Roger Anderson among those at table . . . Last we saw of Gen. Armstrong, he was singing away like mad. Nostalgia songs—ably abetted by his Air Force cronies . . . If Columbia pictures can't get Paul Douglas, now so much in demand, for "Born Yesterday" then Broderick Crawford may get the role. It would be the break of his life! . . . Jack Carson and Dennis Morgan have a daily handball workout on the Warner lot. (Nice to know SOMEBODY is around there!)

How's Your Mind?

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. Where is the Atlantic ocean west of the Pacific?
2. What is an antonym?
3. For what was John James Audubon known?
4. Can alcohol be frozen?
5. What woman, without sight or hearing, learned to speak?

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Ex-critic Ex-pharmacist

JOBS UPON A TIME

Author Zoe Akins was born in Humansville, Mo., and was educated at home, at Monticello seminary, Godfrey, Ill., and Hosmer Hall, St. Louis. She married Hugh Cecil Levigne Rumbold of London, captain in the famed Grenadier Guards, who died in 1932. Miss Akins has contributed poems and criticisms to leading magazines, has published volumes of poetry, written many plays, including Papa, The Musical City, A Royal Family and The Greeks Had a Name for It. Miss Akins won the Pulitzer drama prize for 1934-5.

Hubert H. Humphrey, senator-elect from Minnesota, was born in Elk River, Minn., but was educated in South Dakota. Humphrey took his degree from Denver College of Pharmacy, his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Minneapolis, and his masters degree from the University of Louisiana. Senator-elect Humphrey was a practicing pharmacist from 1933-37, state director of war production training and re-employment and state chief of the Minnesota war services program 1942. He was assistant director of the War Manpower Commission in 1943; then professor of political science of Macalester college from 1943-44. He served as a radio news commentator in 1944-45. Humphrey is a three-term mayor of Minneapolis although he is only 37.

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MODERN MANNERS

Don't stop in a doorway to chat. Always step to one side so that those who wish to go in or out may do so without having to push past you.

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IT HAPPENED TODAY

On Dec. 20, 1922, 14 Russian republics formed a union. On the same date, 1860, the state of South Carolina seceded from the American Union.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Industrialist Harvey S. Firestone, Irene Dunne, screen actress, and two of baseball's "greats," Charles L. (Gabby) Hartnett, excatcher, and Branch Rickey, president of the Brooklyn Dodgers, are today's birthday celebrants.

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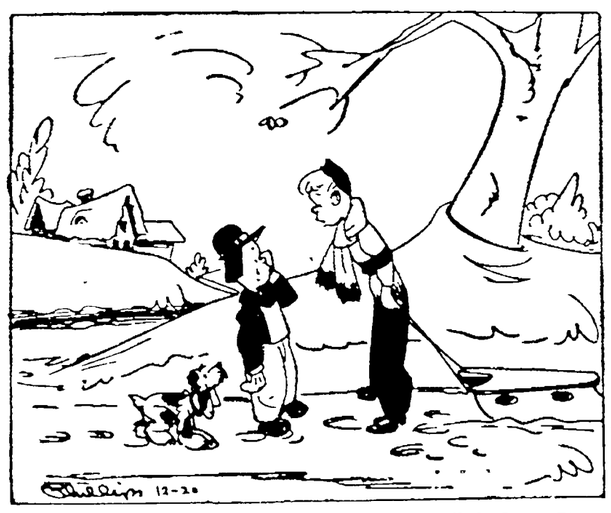
HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. At Panama
2. A word directly opposite to another in meaning.
3. His picture studies of birds.
4. Yes, at 200 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit.
5. Helen Keller.

Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS



"I don't care what Uncle Angus told you, Eugene Pollick Santa Claus would NOT eat his reindeer because of the high price of meat."

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Fruit of Bitterness... Lies That Wreck...

INSPIRATION COLUMN

(From "Your Life")

HURT—Warden Lawes of Sing Sing was famous for his advice to those leaving that penitentiary. To a man who was going out into the world again, he would say, "You'll need peace of mind out there, so keep away from your enemies and from those you can't trust. If you were framed, forget it. Bitterness won't bring back the years you spent here, but it will spoil the years ahead and break down your guard against future trouble.

"Remember, the greatest harm your enemies can do you is to instill fear, hatred, and rage in your heart, and muddle your brain with fury so you will try to hurt them. In trying to harm them you will harm yourself doubly—first with the misery of bitterness, and then by the penalty you'll have to pay if you succeed. No man was ever broken by treachery, by ingratitude, or by unfairness—only by the bitterness that they sowed in his heart."

Yes, realization that there is only one person who can hurt us is vital to every one of us, no matter what our age, occupation, or station in life. Doctor, lawyer, penitentiary warden, minister—they all say the same thing: "There's only one person who can hurt you—yourself!"

—William F. Frenon.

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FOUR-FLUSHING—Not long ago, a director of a mental institution said to me, "People should be told that every lie they tell brings them one step nearer nervous instability."

His statement may sound a bit exaggerated until one remembers that the lie detector has demonstrated that with even the most trivial falsehood breathing, blood pressure, and nervous tension undergo a change marked enough to be observed on the graph.

Four-flushing is dangerous—and foolish—because even if you apparently get away with a series of small falsehoods, eventually you will pay for them. If you aren't as happy as you think you should be, make sure your horizons aren't obscured by a wall of of sham.

Don't fence yourself in. Stop four-flushing with other people—stop fooling yourself. Let down the bars. Walk out into the sunlight. The truth can set you free.—Jean Z. Owen.

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SUCCESS—What's the opening wedge to a successful career? "The big thing," according to James W. Young, Senior Consultant, J. Walter Thompson Company, "is to make a start. Get in anywhere so that you can see the wheels go 'round. Then keep putting one foot in front of the other, giving to each day's task the best you have."

No matter what sort of career you have settled on, that's mighty good advice. In other words, if you can't get in through the front door, get in through the back. The important thing is to get in! The work may be routine at first, the salary may be small—but once you have decided on your life work, any opening in that field is your first step on the high-road to success.—James D. Woolf.

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RULE—One of the most thoughtful ways of expressing our appreciation to our friends is through the use of the Rule of One. Why not try it at the next party or informal gathering you attend?

Just single out for praise one detail in the dinner or decoration of the house and give an intelligent or witty or startling reason for your choice. This is the true thoughtfulness, the discerning compliment, for the effort made to entertain us; at such a moment we give our very best. Of course, the Rule of One is most effective only when we have radiated enjoyment and appreciation throughout the entire evening.—Phyllis Parker.

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

FOR some time, groups of doctors everywhere have been studying disorders affecting the blood vessels, that is, the arteries and veins, especially in a condition called thromboangiitis obliterans. This is also known as Buerger's disease. In this condition there is some inflammation of these blood vessels and this inflammation results in the blocking of the flow of blood through them. Depending upon the location of the blood vessels, this disorder may cause little disability, severe pain or, at times, even death of the tissues due to lack of the blood supply.

This condition occurs most often in men, but occasionally it does develop in women. Just what produces it has not been definitely determined. However, it has been suggested that the excessive use of tobacco may be a factor. Virus infection has been thought to be a possible cause.

The disorder comes on gradually. There may be aches and pains in the legs, some numbness, weak arches and muscle cramps. Sometimes the sudden formation of a blood clot in one of the veins or small arteries is the first sign of the disease.

It is important that this condition be discovered early, since treatment is more effective in the early stages. Disappearance of the pulsation or beating in the blood vessels is one of the early symptoms.

In the early stages of this condition, the treatment consists of the avoidance of tobacco, increasing the intake of salt and water, and the elimination of infections in the teeth, tonsils, sinuses, and elsewhere in the body.

As the disorder progresses, the use of certain substances to delay the clotting of the blood, such as heparin and dicoumarol, may be helpful. X-ray treatments of the areas where the blood clots form also are of value.

Dr. Geza deTakats has found that the injection of a substance known as sodium tetrathionate into a vein is better than the typhoid vaccine. Twelve injections are employed, given every second day.

In the latter stages of Buerger's disease when the condition has become quite severe, an operation is sometimes performed in which the nerves to the blood vessels are cut.

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

Boy Born in Bombing Attack on Berlin Living Here With Mother, Ex-GI Husband

Paul Schmitz Wade, 5-year-old German boy who arrived in America a month ago with his step-father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wade, Pottstown RD 3, seems to like this country, especially its quantity of milk.

He is a real "war baby." He was born in the basement of a Berlin hospital during the height of a bombing raid.

His mother, the former Mrs. Sophie Schmitz, whose husband, father and brother were killed in action with the German Army and whose mother was killed by bombs in a hospital, thought he would never survive.

But today he is a bright, active little boy who takes a keen interest in his new surroundings.

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HIS MOTHER and step-father were married early the past October in Germany. It was the end of a year-long courtship and of two years' occupation Army duty for Wade.

After the little family landed here on Nov. 17, Wade sent his wife and step-son to live with Wade's aunt, Mrs. Agnes E. Shirey, Boyertown RD 2. Following his discharge two weeks ago he joined them there.

Mrs. Shirey, who lives on a 27-acre farm, said little Paul is learning English fast. She has been giving him practical lessons.

One afternoon several weeks ago Paul came into the kitchen and asked in German for some milk, of which he is very fond.

"I can't understand that kind of talk. You'll have to tell me in English," said Mrs. Shirey via translation through the mother's mother.

After supper he presented himself at the kitchen and, with great care but in perfect English, said, "I would like to have some milk, please."

Mrs. Shirey, somewhat overwhelmed, gave him all he could drink.

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SINCE THEN, PAUL has learned to count from one to ten. "He's a bright one," commented Mrs. Shirey.

Paul won't go to school this year, though, because his parents felt that would be rushing his command of English a bit too much.

He liked the farm very much and wants to come back soon, his mother told Mrs. Shirey.

The family moved to the Pottstown RD 3 home of Wade's brother, Paul, recently. They will stay there until a home in Oakview that Carl will rent, is finished in about two weeks.

Carl drives a truck for the Dierolf contracting firm.

The young ex-GI spent much of his overseas time in the Rhineland. He was discharged in Camp Kilmer, N. J.

He and his warbride were married twice in Berlin—once by a German clergyman and again, just to make sure, by an Army chaplain.

Mrs. Shirey is all for it. "I'd kind of like to see them get married again," she said.

Death of Mother Ends World Cruise in Yawl

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Dec. 19 (AP) — Thomas Harrison has announced that death of his mother in Capetown, South Africa, caused him to abandon the cruise of his 23-foot-yawl Springbok, which began in San Francisco last Jan. 11.

Instead, he will sell the yawl and fly home to Capetown.

Harrison, a South African seaman, and Marvin J. Bigelow, former San Francisco accountant, sailed the yawl from San Francisco to Honolulu in 27 days.

They arrived in Auckland Oct. 31 and had planned to sail for Capetown via Singapore in January.

HEART ATTACK FATAL

BRADFORD, Dec. 19 (AP)—Howard N. Bartlett, 54-year-old city employe, collapsed and died of a heart attack today while cindering city streets.

Pottstown's Church Calendar

METHODIST

Bethel AME, the Rev. Allison Coole, pastor. Tomorrow, young people's choir, 7 p. m.; senior choir, 8 p. m. Wednesday, midweek service, 8 p. m.

First, the Rev. Horace N. Olewiler, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts 7 p. m.; MYF leaves the church for sub-district rally in Phoenixville, 7 p. m. Tomorrow, Girl Scouts, 6:30 p. m. Wednesday, children's choir, 6:30 p. m. Thursday, chapel choir, 6:30 p. m.; chancel choir, 8 p. m. Friday, Christmas eve service with message by the Rev. Robert C. Pike, 11 p. m.

LUTHERAN

St. Peter's, Stowe, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, 7:30 p. m. Tomorrow, cub scouts and den mothers, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, choir, 7 and 8 p. m. Friday, Christmas service with communion, 11 p. m.

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor. Tomorrow, in-between-ers Christmas party, 7 p. m. Wednesday, junior choir, 2:15 p. m. Saturday, dawn service, 6 a. m.

St. James, the Rev. Edward S. Horn, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts, 7 p. m. Thursday, junior choir, 4 p. m.; chancel choir, 8 p. m. Friday, candlelight service, 11 p. m.

St. John's, South Pottstown, the Rev. Robert M. Lampater, pastor. Tomorrow, Catechetical class, 4 p. m. Thursday, junior choir, 6:15 p. m.; senior choir, 8 p. m. Friday, holy communion, 7:30 p. m. Saturday, festival service, 6:30 a. m.

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Today, Normal class Christmas party, 8 p. m. Wednesday, junior, descant and boys choirs, 3:30 p. m. Friday, caroling at Pottstown hospital by senior and chapel choirs, 7 p. m.; Christmas eve caroling by Luther league for sick and shut-ins of the congregation. Saturday, dawn service, 6 a. m.

REFORMED

St. John's, the Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor. Today, Women's guild Christmas party and program, 8 p. m. Wednesday, youth fellowship, 4 p. m. Thursday, choir, 8 p. m. Saturday, Christmas candlelight service, 6 a. m.

St. Paul's, Stowe, the Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor. Wednesday, youth fellowship, 7 p. m. Thursday, choir, 7 p. m. Friday, Christmas candlelight service, 11 p. m.

Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor. Tomorrow, confirmation class in chapel, 7 p. m.; Sunday school board of control, 8 p. m. Friday, candlelight service, 11 p. m.

St. Paul's, the Rev. Michael E. Schmidt, pastor. Tomorrow, Dorcas class Christmas party at home of Mrs. Daniel Reinsmyer, 8 p. m. Saturday, Christmas dawn service; meditation "The Wise Men," 6:30 a. m.

Trinity, the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor. Today, Brownie scouts, 4 p. m.; Mother's class children's Christmas party, 7 p. m. Tomorrow, Mispah Bible class at home of Mrs. Calvin Swavely, 19 Walnut street, 8 p. m. Wednesday, Girl Scout Christmas party, 4 p. m.; church membership class, 6:30 p. m.; Boy Scout Christmas party, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, junior choir, 4 p. m.; youth choir, 7 p. m.; senior choir, 8 p. m. Saturday, Christmas dawn service, 6 a. m.

EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN

Bethel, the Rev. John L. Smoher, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Brotherhood, 7:30 p. m. Friday, choir, 8 p. m.

Salem, the Rev. Charles V. Kachel, pastor. Thursday, Men's Brotherhood, 7:30 p. m.

BAPTIST

First, the Rev. Delaine E. Story, pastor. Wednesday, annual Sunday school Christmas program and operetta, 7 p. m. Thursday, junior high fellowship Christmas party in social room, 8 p. m. Friday, annual Christmas eve worship service, 11 p. m.

Second, the Rev. H. L. Butler, pastor. Tomorrow, senior choir, 8 p. m. Wednesday, junior choir in lecture room, 7:30 p. m.; monthly deacon meeting in officers room, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, midweek service in lecture room, 8 p. m.; weekly Bible discussion, 9 p. m. Saturday, special candlelight service sponsored by the senior ushers club, 8 p. m.

OTHER CHURCHES

Christian and Missionary Alliance, the Rev. W. Harry Dickinson, pastor. Thursday, women's prayer meeting at home of Mrs. Ella Elwood, 479 Spruce street, 2 p. m.; prayer and Bible study, 7:45 p. m.

Christ Episcopal, the Rev. George A. Lineker, rector. Today, Girl scouts, 7:30 p. m. Tomorrow, Boy Scouts, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, junior choir, 7 p. m.; senior choir, 8 p. m. Friday, Christmas eve candlelight carol service and holy communion, 10:30 p. m.; theme "Timeless Carols."

Holiness Christian, the Rev. Charles Emery, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:45 p. m.

First Presbyterian, the Rev. A. Burtis Hallock, Jr., pastor. Wednesday, Christmas play in assembly room, 8 p. m. Friday, candlelight holy communion service, 11:00 p. m.

Trinity Evangelical Congregational, the Rev. Donald T. Floyd, pastor. Today, Sunday school Christmas party, 7:30 p. m. Tomorrow, no junior choir rehearsal. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:30 p. m.

Assemblies of God Tabernacle, the Rev. Forrest T. Nelson, pastor. Wednesday, prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Bible Truth Hall, King and Franklin street. Thursday, prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:45 p. m.

Attempt to Rescue Arctic Airmen Fails

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Nine or more airmen stranded in 40-below-zero cold on Greenland's ice may have to stick it out several more days.

Air rescuers preparing for a fourth attempt to get a tow on their glider wired headquarters this message today:

"Mission incomplete because of weather. Forecast is bad for several days."

Whether that meant wind, snow, low clouds or other hazards was not known here.

The third rescue try yesterday almost succeeded. The glider with all aboard was picked up by a C54 briefly. Then the tow-line safety link parted. The glider got down safely.

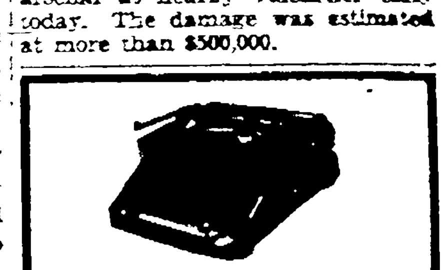
First attempts failed because the glider's wheels had broken through the snow crust. So its wheels were removed for the third try.

The men are said to have plenty of food, clothing and heating equipment. Seven of them were marooned Dec. 9 when their C47 was forced to land. Two others tried a rescue in a B17 but it nosed into a snowbank. Then the glider went in and also bogged down. The number of men marooned was indefinite because it was not known whether one or two men took the glider in.

The irritating secretion of stinging ants is formic acid.

FIRE DESTROYS ARSENAL

QUEBEC, Dec. 19 (AP)—Fire destroyed a section of the government arsenal at nearby Valcartier early today. The damage was estimated at more than $500,000.



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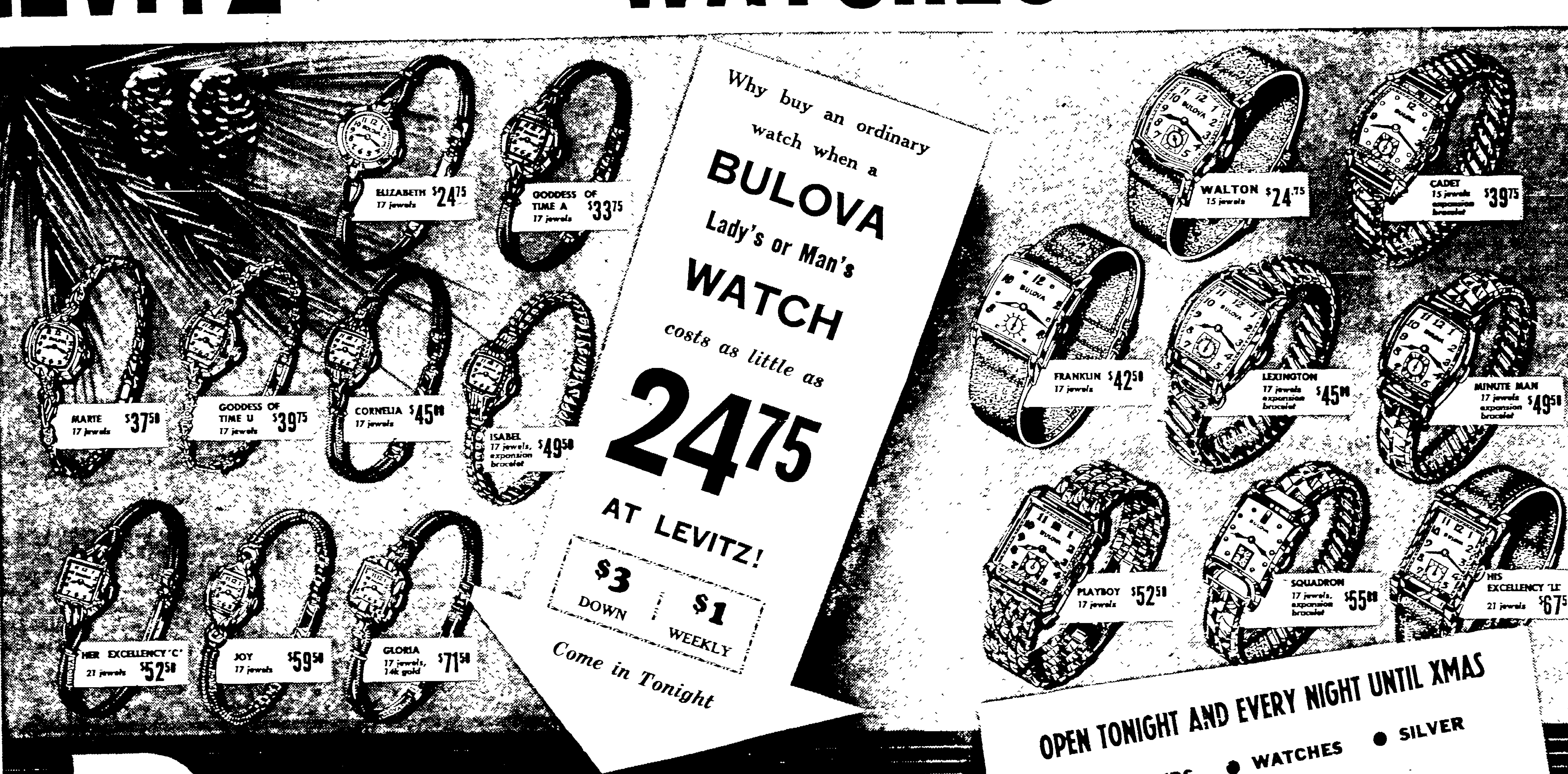

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Senate Units Probe Of Exports Reveals Frauds and Forgery

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—An official report of rich profits from exports obtained by "fraud, forgery and other illicit devices" went to the Senate today from its special investigating committee.

"Because there is no way to check, it is impossible to say how many millions of dollars worth of products were illegally shipped from the United States," the group reported and added:

"The stakes were fabulous."

Most of the criticism centered upon the export control license system operated by the Office of International Trade in the Commerce department.

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SENATOR FERGUSON (R-Mich), chairman of the investigating subcommittee, offered a series of suggestions for tightening up these controls. He said many changes had been made since senators began their hearings months ago but urged the additional moves:

1. Establishment of "an approved list of exporters" by the trade office in order to eliminate "disruptable and dishonest exporters."

2. Asking banks, freight forwarders and business firms to assist in checking upon the multi-billion dollar export shipments for violations. If this does not work on a voluntary basis, then regulations should "require them to furnish such information," the report said.

3. Checks to see that exports actually reach the nations and destinations for which licenses were granted. The committee said the foreign service of the State department and the far-flung Marshall plan organization should assist in this.

4. Larger staffs and more authority to check upon the licenses and actual exports by the trade office as well as customs men at ports and on ships.

Senators making the report that 1947 exports amounted to $15,390,000,000 or about three times the prewar total of 1940. They said tight and effective controls must continue "particularly in view of the present activities of the Soviet Union and its satellites."

"Furthermore, the strict enforcement of controls is necessary to prevent the movement of industrial equipment and materials having a potential war use," the group said.

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UNTIL THE SENATE hearings began, the committee said lax license methods "rewarded the unscrupulous and made it extremely difficult for many honest merchants to survive."

These instances of what the committee described as "forged licenses" and "fraudulent shipments" were listed in its report:

Illegal shipments of 200,000,000 pounds of flour and about 1,000,000 pounds of lard by the Haro Products company of New York. The report said John Quinn supplied "forged licenses" for these shipments as well as others. Quinn now is awaiting trial in New York, the report added.

Use of "a counterfeit machine" to "validate" export licenses. The committee said the trade office discovered this in March of this year but failed to replace the machine until September.

Export of 1,736,000 pounds of cast-iron soil pipe, badly needed in this country, by listing it as "concrete pipe" which did not require an export license. The committee said this was done by Robert M. Mistrough, an exporter, who finally refused to answer questions "on the ground that his answers might tend to incriminate or degrade him."

The word "rhyme" is more correctly spelled "rime," but the customary spelling is due to a confusion with the word "rhythm."

DOUGLASSVILLE

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The Sunday school Christmas party will be held in the parish house, Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. There will be entertainment and a visit from Santa Claus.

The Christmas service will be held Saturday at 9 a. m. Christmas day festival celebration of the holy communion will be observed. On Sunday, a Christmas carol service for children and anyone else desiring to attend will be held in the church at 7:30 o'clock.

The POS of A held its annual banquet recently at the Reformed church, Birdsboro. Mrs. Henry Bush, state assistant vice presidnt, was in charge of the program. The Rev. G. H. Seidel, Royersford, was the guest speaker. The Rev. Ehrgood also spoke and Mrs. Ehrgood gave a reading. Dancrs from the Price studio also entrtained. Among those present were: State President, protem, Florence Runder, and national president, Eva Schreffler. There were 115 lodge members present.

The following assisted Mrs. Bush with the affair:

Mrs. Ida Mease, Mrs. John Stuart, Mrs. Charles Hine, Mrs. Edna Steiger, Mrs. Maude Templin, Mrs. Isaac Nyman, Mrs. Anna Bitler, Mrs. Kathryn Angstadt and Margaret Seidel.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Guild of St. Gabriel's Episcopal church was held recently at the home of Mrs. Frank Fredericks. Plans were made for another covered dish supper to be held in the parish house Wednesday night, Jan. 12. Discussions also were made for a pie and cake sale to be held later in the month. The proceeds from this sale will go toward making choir gowns for a junior choir. The guild also is completing the job of having the seats recovered.

Present at the meeting were: Mrs. Stanley P. Elliott, Mrs. Walter Bradley, Pottstown; Mrs. Herbert Jones, Mrs. Roger Rood, Mrs. Chester Snyder, Mrs. Charles Herman, Mrs. Howard Fry, Mrs. Joe DuBois, Mrs. Robert T. Docker, Mrs. Jack Docker, Miss Beatrice Smith, Mrs. I. Grant Irey, Mrs. Raymond S. Elliott and the hostess.

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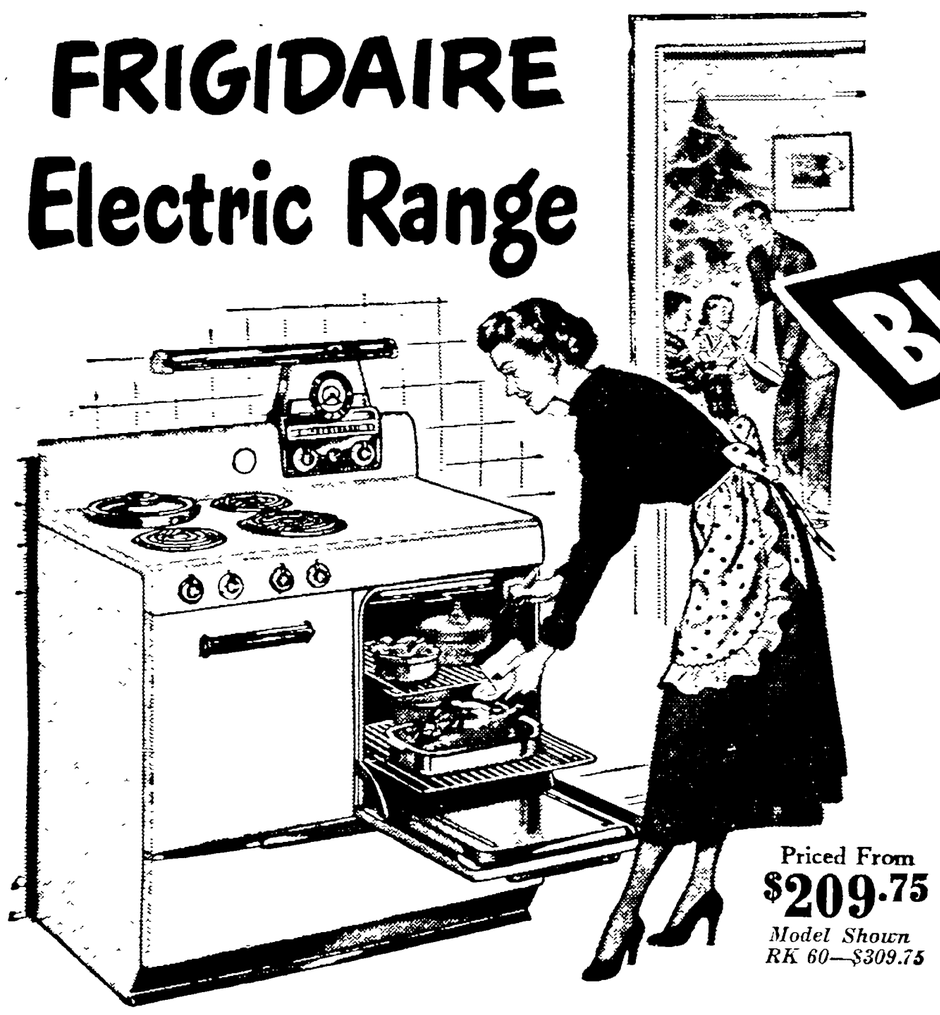

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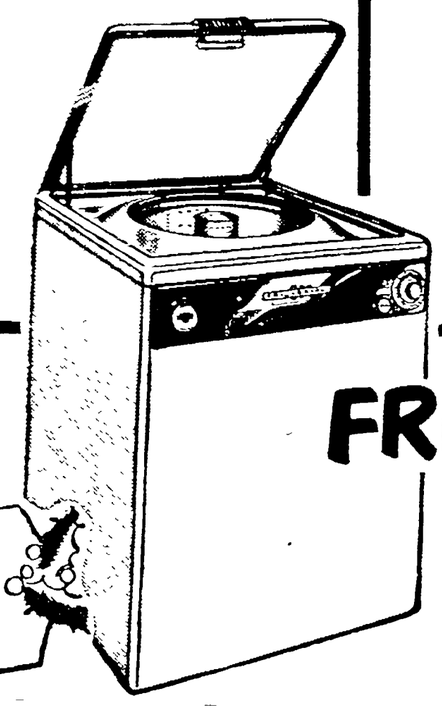

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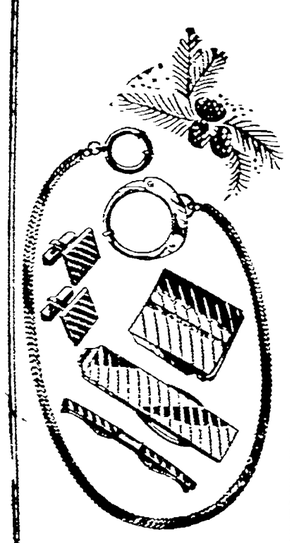

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More Than 500 Gifts, Cash Donated at White Gift Service

More than 500 gifts for boys and girls at the Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, as well as an offering expected to exceed $400, were donated yesterday in the Trinity Reformed church's annual White Gift service.

The gifts were presented by pupils in the Sunday school and members of the congregation who worshiped in a combined service. The church altar was surrounded by the presents, which will be taken to the Orphans' home today by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Nottle, for distribution Christmas morning.

Each department of the Sunday school shared in yesterday's service, including the children of the nursery, beginner and primary departments, who sang songs, and members of the junior and senior choirs, and of the adult department, who sang Christmas carols.

A tableau scene of the Nativity, "A Christmas Secret," was presented under the direction of Mrs. G. Bryce Manthorne and Miss Helen V. Purnell.

Participating in the tableau were Donald Rigg, Richard Frantz, Jack Bartman, Harry Royer, Frederick Shade, Donald Bliem, David Clemens, Marcia Boughter, Mary Ann Clemens, Jean Wenrich, Mary Lou Shoemaker, Nancy Weikel, Charlotte Laubmier and Joan Royer.

The white gifts were in charge of Miss Josephine Boyer, Miss L. Mae Christman, Mrs. George Royer, Mrs. Thomas Lawler, Mrs. Lewis Shoemaker, Mrs. John Bliem, Miss Irma Schmoyer, Mary Lou Shoemaker and Edward Shoemaker.

Family Night Banquet Arranged by K of C

A family night banquet on Jan. 30, in St. Aloysius Catholic church hall, was decided upon last night as one of the Winter projects of Father Baily Council 1192, Knights of Columbus.

The K of C members also decided on a minstrel show; a Communion breakfast at least once a month, beginning the second week of January; a holy hour, one evening a week in church, consisting of meditations and prayer, and a first degree initiation on Jan. 16 of approximately 12 men.

Grand Knight Peter J. Lawler was in charge of the meeting. Attendance was held down to 25 by inclement weather.

EVANGELIST DIES

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 19 (AP)—Frank C. "Grandpa" Shafer, 92, called the "children's evangelist" and founder of the Scriptural league, died yesterday. He was a native of Sharon, Pa.

Cecil John Rhodes, British colonial and imperial statesman, began his career in Africa when, at 16 and in broken health, he joined his brother who was farming in Natal.

Gives Gift

Al Jolson (above) yesterday gave his $75,000 mountaintop estate at Mulholland to the Cedars of Lebanon hospital to do what it wishes with the 14-room mansion and property.

Passengers Escape Unhurt As Plane Crashes, Burns

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 19 (AP)—A fully-loaded Reeve Aleutian airways DC3 crashed on a takeoff here last night but none of the passengers and crew members was injured. The plane was badly damaged.

Investigators sought today to determine the cause of the crash, which occurred as the airliner started a scheduled flight to Seattle.

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Fresh HAMS (Whole or Half)	lb	59c
Fresh-Ground HAMBURG	lb	49c
VELVEETA CHEESE	2-lb. box	95c
Fla. Sweet Juicy ORANGES	doz.	25c
Calif. PASCAL CELERY	large stalk	19c
Fancy Med. Red SWEET POTATOES, 4	lb	25c
Golden-Ripe BANANAS	2 lb	27c
Montco. CRANBERRY JELLY	No. 2 cans 2 for	35c
Cope's DRIED CORN	pkg.	19c
Montco Fancy Sliced RED BEETS	16-oz. jar	16c
Large ENGLISH WALNUTS	lb	45c
OXYDOL & DUZ large boxes 2 for 67c	Giant Size	93c
Dreft large box 2 for 59c—Lava Soap, 3 cakes		29c
SPIC and SPAN	2 small boxes	47c

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Main Floor

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A new 5-unit train operated by strong spring-wound motor. Includes engine, tender, freight car, gondola, caboose and track.
Downstairs

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Downstairs

Folding Pocket Umbrellas 9.94
Afford full-size umbrella protection. Fold to compact size, double rib, easy-opening, light weight; various colors and patterns.
Main Floor

Scatter Pins 94c plus tax
Gold-plated pins with seed pearls, rhinestones, garnets or amethysts. Also silver-plated pins.
Boxed Hankies 1.00 and 1.59
Touches of color on white, embroidered and flourished with lace. Others from 49c per box.
Main Floor

Rubber Tired Tricycle 5.99
This sturdy all steel tricycle in red and cream enameled body will be the source of many good times for your youngster. Front wheel is 10" high. Regularly 7.95.
Downstairs

Doodle Buggy CARRIAGE 6.99
The body of this carriage can be lifted out from the steel frame and used as a bassinet. Can also be folded flat. 10x21x24".
Downstairs

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A galaxy of patterns: prints, plaids, paisleys. Other woolen scarfs
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Ladies' Rayon Slips 1.94 to 6.95
Choose from wide lace yoke and bottom, lace top with lace cocktail bottom or lace top with ruffle hem. White, tearose, blue or maize. Sizes 32 to 40.
Main Floor

Ladies' Gift ROBES 5.95 to 19.95
Chenille, all wool flannel, rayon satin, corduroy, romaine crepe, cotton and rayon quilted; various styles. Sizes 12 to 20, 38 to 44.
Main Floor
Child's Slip & Panty Sets
Prettily boxed set of slip and panty to match, in pink or blue. Sizes 4 to 14 ..... 1.79
Main Floor

Beverage Sets 1.94 to 4.94
Clear and frosted glass with hand painted and fired decorations in a vibrant variety of designs. Sets consist of 2 quart pitcher and 4 ten ounce glasses.
Aluminum Bread Trays
Finest Continental hammered aluminum bread tray. Decorated with chrysanthemum design in center.... 2.94
Downstairs

Cannon Boxed Towels . . . 1.94
Two bath towels and two wash cloths in an open-face holiday box of red, green and white
Embroidered Pillow Cases . . . 2.94 pair
Embroidered with Mr. and Mrs., His and Hers, and florals. Large assortment in colored borders on solid white. Finest type 140 tubing used.
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Sizes 4 to 10 4.94 Sizes 10-22 5.94
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Pink with lace trim, in sizes 4 to 14. For little & big sister 2.19
Girls' Rayon Panties
. . . lace edged leg. White and attractive colors in blue and maize. Sizes 2 to 14 ..... 59c
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Boys' 2-Pc. Flannel or Broadcloth Pajamas
1.94 to 2.94
Flannels . . . coat and middy styles. Sizes 4 to 10 . . . middy style, sizes 8 to 18 . . . broadcloth . . . coat style, sizes 4 to 8 . . . middy and coat styles, sizes 8 to 18. All washable, fast colors in bright new stripes and color combinations.
Second Floor

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ALL WOOL MUFFLERS, solids, plaids and stripes.
94c and 1.39
LEATHER FINGER GLOVES, fully lined for extra comfort.
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Famous Label Toddler Dresses 1.95 to 4.95
Sizes 1 to 3
Handie, Nannette and other labels. Becoming Princess lines, swing and dirndle skirts, ruffle and lace trims, also hand embroidery. White, pastels, plaids in cotton, rayon or dotted swiss.
Main Floor

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Choose these dependable brands: Cinderella, Lilly Bee, Tiny Town, Lucette. Plaids, prints and solid colors. Eyelet trims and ruffles. Ideal gift for a little Miss at Christmas. Sizes 3 to 6x, sizes 7 to 14.
Main Floor

Toddler Boys' Wash Suits 1.95 to 3.95
Stantogs, Peter Piper and Good Lad wash suits. Solid colors and two tones. Some with embroidered trims. Fast color and sturdy. Sizes 1 to 3.
Second Floor

Men's Cohama & Wembley Ties
1.00 to 2.50
A grand array of patterns and solid colors to suit every masculine taste. Knits, satins, foulards and pure silks.

Men's Famous Brand Shirts
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Truval, Shirtcraft and Reliance brands in white, colors and stripes. Full range of sizes up to 19.

Men's Famous Brand Socks
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Choice of Westmininster, Holeproof and Nu-Weave brands. Cotton, rayon, lisle or nylon. Sizes 10 to 13.

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Men's Boxed Handkerchiefs
1.00 to 1.50 box (3 in box)

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Extensive Search Begun for Slayer Of Illinois Girl, 10

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Five law enforcement agencies worked on meager clues today to solve the callous rape-slaying of a pretty 10-year-old blonde school girl.

The child's ravished body was found yesterday in a lonely ditch near a country cemetery, just inside the West Cook county boundary. Dr. Thomas Carter, the coroner's physician, said she had been beaten, gagged, raped, and finally throttled.

The girl was Roberta Rinearson of suburban Brookfield, a pupil at St. Barbara's parochial school there. She was last seen alive on Friday night about six o'clock when she got into a bus a block from her home after telling her two sisters she was going to a movie in nearby Lagrange.

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WHEN SHE HAD not returned home at midnight, her family called the police. A check of busses in the garage and of the closed theatre was made. Theater employes say she didn't get to the theater Friday night.

Her sprawled form, with stiffened arms upraised in defensive attitude, was found by Clyde Sperry, a railroad bridge-tender, on his way to work at 8:15 Saturday morning.

The hunt for her slayer has been taken over by investigators of newly-elected State's Attorney John S. Boyle, co-operating closely with the sheriff's police. Also working to solve the case are officers of the coroner, the State highway police and the Chicago police crime laboratory.

The slender clues include tire tracks of an old automobile which were embedded in the shoulder of county line road a few feet from the body; a man's hankerchief with the initial "P" found across the road from the body, and the girl's missing brown loafer shoes.

Ten persons have been questioned by representatives of the states attorneys office, but no arrests have been made.

Boyle said his men are looking for a youth with a record of sex offenses who lives in the Brookfield area.

Named As Least Co-operative

Members of the Hollywood Women's Press club yesterday named actress Rita Hayworth and actor Errol Flynn (above) as "the least co-operative." The club also named Dorothy Lamour and Glenn Ford as the most co-operative.

Fireman's Son Learns How Not to Prevent Fire

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Bobby Olson, nine, son of a city fireman, learned a cardinal rule of fire prevention today—never hold a lighted match under the bed when you hunt for your galoshes.

The mattress on Bobby's bed provided a pretty fair blaze until his pop's colleagues of Engine Company 129 extinguished it. Robert A. Olson, Bobby's father, was elsewhere putting in his day's stint with Engine Company 93.

"I kind of hate to think about pop coming home tonight," Bobby told Captain Nicholas Thome.

Trailer-Truck Hops Wall After Colliding With Car

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (AP)—A 15-ton trailer truck, carrying a load of magazines, leap-frogged across a two-foot stone wall after colliding with a car and crashed into a house yesterday.

The building was set afire and the truck driver—35-year-old Charles Esworthy, of Harrisburg—was burned seriously.

No one was in the house at the time.

The driver of the automobile, 77-year-old John W. Smith of Philadelphia, suffered head injuries. His vehicle smashed into a telephone pole.

Bureau of Labor Statistics Report Reveals U. S. Had Similar Strike Record in '47, '48

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — Strikes apparently had less impact on the nation this year than last. The two years were, however, remarkably similar in strike statistics.

That was the picture today, as indicated by the latest figures of the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the first ten months of 1948, plus unofficial estimates for November and December.

In the number of strikes, the number of strikers, and the amount of lost working time, there was not much difference between 1947 and 1948.

Lost working time is the most valuable means of comparison:

In 1947 the idleness in plants where work stoppages occurred was 34,559,000 man-days.

In 1948 it seemed likely to run in the neighborhood of 33,000,000 man-days.

The record year was 1946, with 116,000,000. During the ten years preceding the war, the largest strike idleness was 28,400,000 man-days in 1937.

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AS USUAL, various interpretations will be placed on this year's statistics.

Opponents of the Taft-Hartley act are saying that the similarity between 1947 and 1948 proves that this law has failed to eliminate industrial warfare or materially reduce it. They say that some strikes have actually been caused by the law.

Supporters of the Taft-Hartley act say that while it hasn't reduced all strikes, it has greatly reduced certain kinds of strikes, such as jurisdictional strikes, secondary boycotts, and wildcat strikes (unauthorized by a union). They say that the only strikes which grew out of the law were illegal strikes by which unions sought to keep various arrangements that the law banned.

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ALTHOUGH the strike totals for 1947 and 1948 will prove to be very nearly alike, the strike pattern for the two years differed.

The year 1947 was dominated by one very large strike, the telephone strike, in which about 10,000,000 man-days were lost. There were also a number of middle-sized strikes which didn't excite the public much. There was no big coal strike.

But in 1948 there were half a dozen dramatic strikes that got a lot of attention.

The largest was the soft-coal strike over pensions in March and April, with about 325,000 miners idle.

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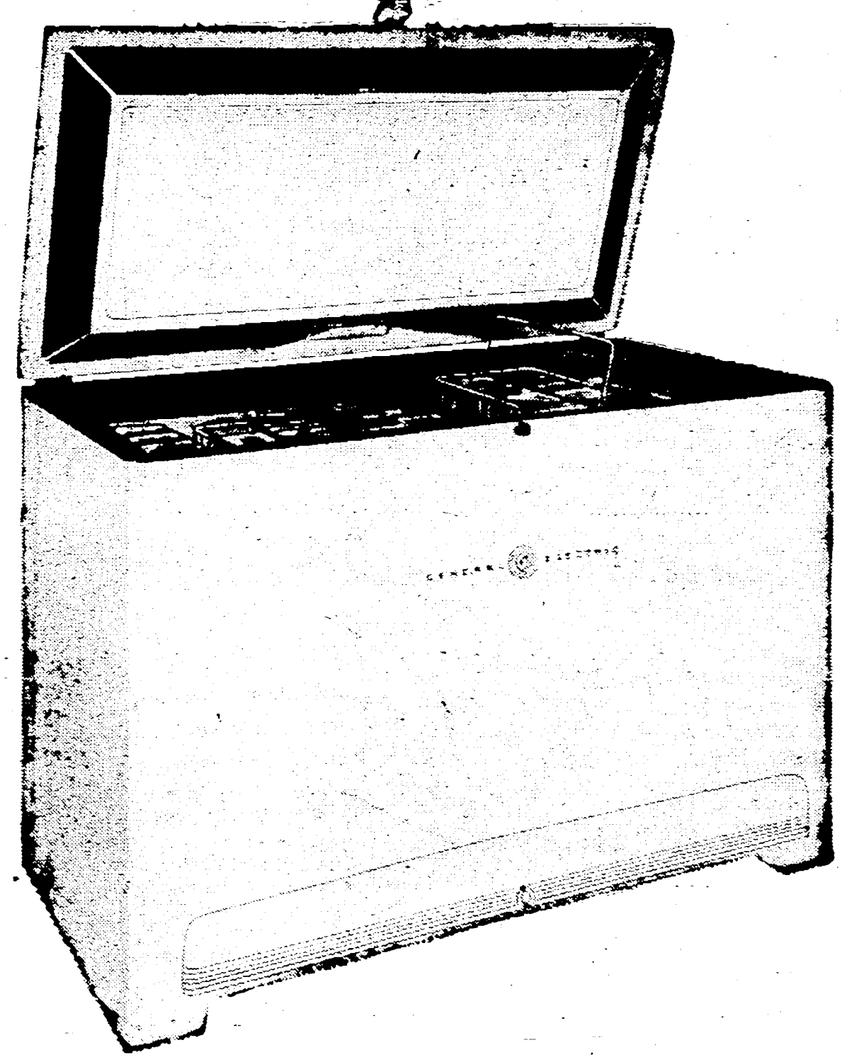
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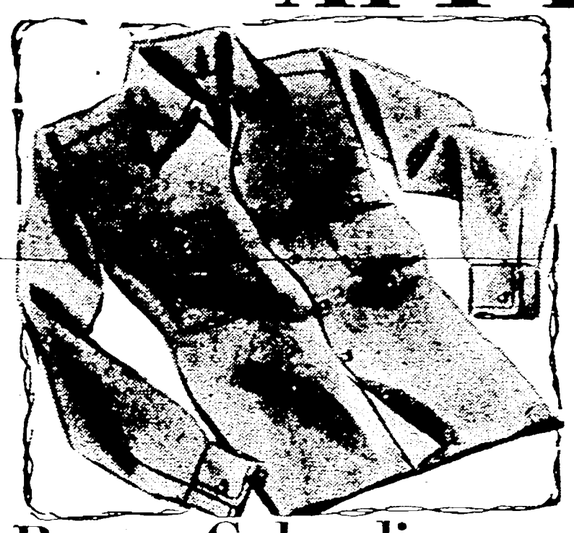

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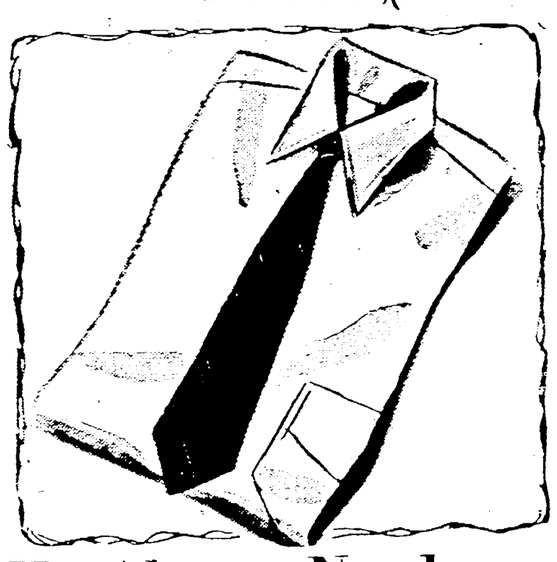

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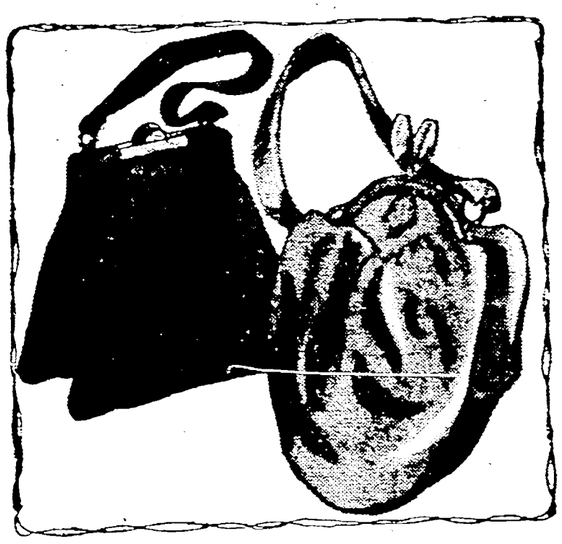

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CLUB NEWS

WEDDINGS

Doe Entertains Husbands and Sweethearts At Christmas Dinner-Dance in Elks' Home

By EDTHA M. SCHAEFFER
(Mercury Society Editor)

Amid festive decorations in keeping with the season, members of the Doe club entertained their husbands and sweethearts last night at the annual Christmas party in the Elks' home

The gala evening started with a turkey banquet at 6:30 o'clock served at tables effectively decorated with miniature red sleighs filled with pine and cedar branches nestled between red and green tapers as centerpieces.

A background of dinner music was furnished by Mr. Frank Kurtz at the piano. Later, Kenneth Nichols and his orchestra appeared for the dancing and floor show that followed for the 500 attending

The welcome was given by Mrs. Nellie Koury, out-going president, who in turn introduced Mr. Chester E. White, lodge exalted ruler, who gave a short talk. The prayer was given by Mrs. Mabel High and the soloist of the evening was Mr. Jack Clarke

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AT THE CLOSE of the dinner, Mrs. Koury presented chairmen of committees with a gift for their work during the year including: Mrs. Laverta Bechtel, property, Mrs Betty Miller, ways and means; Mrs. Anne Jacobs, program and publicity; Mrs. Fay Speer, hospitality; Mrs. Helen Sassaman, membership; Mrs. Leota Lessig and Mrs Mildred Rhoads, decorating; Mrs. Marbel Rhoads, sick; Mrs. Elizabeth Freed, charity, Mrs. Dorothy Herb, purchasing, and Mrs. Frances Cox, pianist.

Mrs. Martha Baker awarded gifts to the following officers of the club: Mrs. Koury, president; Mrs. Miriam Reider, vice president; Mrs. Nellie Kulp, recording secretary; Mrs Kate Wolfe, treasurer; Mrs. Shirley Freese, corresponding secretary, and Mrs Miller, ways and means committee.

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MR. ALBERT IMPINK was awarded a special gift for making the table decorations for last night's affair.

The new officers which will take their seats at the next meeting of the organization were introduced as follow: Mrs. Reider, president; Mrs. Miller, vice president; Mrs. Betty Weidensaul, recording secretary; Mrs. Frances Whittacre, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Kate Wolfe, treasurer.

For this most festive of nights for the Doe club, the women chose gowns to suit their taste and personality, resulting in strapless evening gowns touching shoulders with smart looking dinner and cocktail dresses. Here and there a strictly tailored outfit was made beautiful with gleaming jewels.

Mrs. Helen Katona looked most enticing in a white lace dinner gown fashioned on tunic lines. A circlet of glittering silver sequins with tiny straps served as a collar. Mrs. Frances Len selected a becoming back transparent velvet with scalloped neckline and matching sleeves.

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A BLACK crepe gown was highlighted with black sequins to give Mrs Irma Dengler a queenly air. Mrs. Rose Weidenbaugh was quite decorative in a black lace dinner gown with high neckline and a bodice that buttoned down the back.

Mrs. Earl Fray was charming in a plaid taffeta with plunging "V" neckline and very ful lskirt. At her throat she wore a rope of pearls. Gold jewelry set off the light blue lace gown with cap sleeves worn by Mrs. Grace McCarthy, while Mrs. Helen Mest was lovely in a black crepe with silver trim.

Mrs Kitty Wack looked ever so sophisticated in a white sequined crepe held up by wide red velvet straps. With this she wore matching mitts and rhinestone and gold necklace and earrings.

A dinner gown of burnt rose looked ever so well on Mrs Sara Hartenstine. The neckline was high and with it she wore a small rounded bolero. Mrs. Lillian Pickar was chic in a strapless black taffeta with the bodice outlined with black lace trim. In her upswept hair-do she wore a red rose.

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A GOWN of steel gray satin was chosen by Mrs. Dorothy Herb. Inserted in the very full skirt were wide panels of rose crepe. The sleeves were short and puffed.

Stunning too, was Mrs Rachel Groth in a strapless of apricot with gold sequin trim. A choker of gold completed the effect Vivacious was Mrs. Vivina Newhall in a black and white checked gown with snugly fitting black bodice held up by two thin checked straps.

The white taffeta chosen by Mrs. Helen Swartz was attractively patterned with plunging neckline outlined with bertha collar The very full skirt was hooped. With this she wore a matching set of gold necklace and earrings

A picture of sophistication was Mrs. Shirley Freese in a draped black crepe with one wide strap holding the tightly fitted bodice. To set off her blonde hair, Mrs. Jean Yergey selected a black sequined net with low neckline. while Mrs. Florence Schwab was attractively gowned in a burgundy net sprinkled with sequins and full draped skirt of velvet

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A DINNER dress of black with silver trimmed bodice was charming on Mrs. Mary Berthold, while Mrs. Virginia DeSoi was effectively gowned in a strapless of green taffeta with side bow trim.

Gold braid added an interesting touch to the dinner dress of black crepe on Mrs. Anne Jacobs, while Mrs. Lucy Bacchi selected brocade of gold and aqua with sweetheart neckline. With this she wore matching mitts.

A colorful plaid belt set off the white dinner gown of simple lines gracefully worn by Mrs Betty Miller. Mrs. Helen Vagasky was prettily gowned in a white taffeta with hooped skirt.

Dancing past with smiles of pleasure on their faces was Mrs. Koury in a dinner gown of black crepe; Mrs. Reider in a black lace and Mrs. Mary Harp in a gray satin dinner gown.

Red Moire with black trim and beaded top was most stylish on Mrs. John Hartenstine while Mrs Frances Whittaker was delightful in a pea green with portrait neckline.

'Sleep in Heavenly Peace' . . .

—*Mercury Staff Photo*

Christmas carols were an important part of the Christmas party held at the Lower Pottsgrove school before the close of classes Friday. Blending their voices in "Silent Night," Gloria Banks, Bobby Stein, Ruth Fitzcharles, and Thomas Galloway take an active part in the pre-holiday festivities.

J. Luther Hetrick Entertains at Party On His Anniversary

Relatives and friends were entertained by Mr. J. Luther Hetrick, Fagleysville, in honor of his 78th birthday anniversary with a party in his home yesterday.

Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hetrick and daughter, Janet assisted with the entertaining.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hetrick Sr. and sons, Lee Jr. and Howard; Mr. and Mrs Lloyd Troxel and children, Peggy and Johnnie; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rushong and daughters, Carol and Janice, all of Oley; Mr and Mrs. Clair Hetrick and children, Dorothy, Betty, Irma, Isabel, Roy, Harold and Merle, Mr Paul Dice and Mr. Paul Houp, all of Oley.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hetrick and children, Jay and Gary, Montney, Canada, Mrs. Martha Pleacher, Washington, D. C.; Mr. Jack Hetrick, Fagleysville; Mrs. Harold Overholtzer and children, Dixie, Monty and Danny, of Kenilworth; Rev and Mrs William Solly, Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Endy and children, Harold Jr. and Dawn, Gilbertsville.

Also Mr and Mrs. Paul Sands and daughter, Gayle; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Trout, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Endy, all of Boyertown; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hetrick and children, Robert Jr., Richard, Ronald and David; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kerr and children, Nancy, and Sharol, all of Earlville and Mr. and Mrs Jacob Hetrick and son, Donald, Lumekiln.

Mr. and Mrs. James L Hetrick and children, Shirley June and Eleanor, of Amityville; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hetrick and children, Douglass and Faye, Barto; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer and children, Dale, Dee, Nancy and Doris and Miss Jean DeWitt, New Berlinville.

Impressive Double Ring Ceremony Unites Bette Louise Bernhard and Richard Himes

A lovely wedding was performed in the First Presbyterian church Saturday afternoon when Miss Bette Louise Bernhard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bernhard, 367 Laurel street, became the bride of Mr. Richard C. Himes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Himes, 1138 Queen street.

Decorations of the Yuletide season formed the background for the double ring ceremony performed in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives by the Rev. A. Burtis Hallock Jr.

Selections of bridal music were sung by Miss Ethelyn Cubbage, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Ruth Levengood.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was gowned in white satin with long sleeves tapering to a point at the wrists. The square-necklined bodice was form fitting and was embroidered with designs of seed pearls and beads in the center front. The skirt was of exaggerated fullness and flowed into a long train.

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HER FINGERTIP veil was banded with deep Chantilly lace and fell from a tiara of seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of carnations with detachable orchid center.

Miss Jane McLaughlin appeared as the maid of honor in a gown of orchid taffeta, designed with sweetheart neckline on the tightly fitted bodice. Two ruffles decorated the front on either side of the very full skirt The sleeves were of three-quarter length.

With this she wore a matching head-band with shoulder veil and carried an old fashioned bouquet of yellow carnations with detachable center.

In a long white dress and carrying a basket of mixed flower petals, Miss Merle Haas served as flower girl. Ring bearer was Master Byrle R Shirey.

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MR ROBERT L. HIMES attended the bridegroom as best man while the ushers were the Messrs Merrill Haas and Mr. Lynwood Bernhard.

The other of the bridegroom and the mother of the bride selected dresses of Navy blue with which they wore white accessories.

A reception followed in the assembly room of the church. The couple will reside at 12 West Fifth street.

Mrs. Himes is employed at the F. W. Woolworth company and her husband is employed at the Pottstown Manufacturing company.

Valley Forge Vets Receive Many Gifts From Local Groups

Patients of Valley Forge hospital were treated to a Christmas party recently by the Salvation Army canteen, with a great number of local citizens and organizations contributing gifts and candy.

Representing the Doe club, Mrs. Elizabeth Freed presented another radio to a patient at the hospital. Vaughan's Knitting company gave candy and chewing gum; Sweet Orr factory, doughnuts, coffee and oranges; Pottstown Business and Professional Women's club, candy; Pottstown Die Casters Union, 1500 packs cigarets.

Mrs. William Keck, salted peanuts; Mrs. Walter Schell, poinsettia plants; Pottstown Shirt factory, oranges and candy; First Baptist church, candy; Ladies auxiliary of the Amvets, cookies, Canning's Drug store, greeting cards, and Mrs. Warren Embody, comic books.

Making the trip with the canteen was the Emmanuel Lutheran Sunday school orchestra under the direction of Mr. Raymond Smale. Group singing of Christmas carols was enjoyed with the orchestra also presenting a number of selections of varied music.

Members of the orchestra are: Miss Sylvia Meeker, Mr. Linford Richards, Mr. Angy Pomponia, Mr. Raymond Meeker, Mr Edward Meeker, Mr. Raymond Smale Jr., Miss Thelma Richards, Miss Barbara Binder and Miss Lorraine Hess.

The volunteer canteen workers were Mrs Mary Overholtzer, Mrs. William Keck, Mrs Walter Schell, Mrs. Jack Emery, Mrs. Anna M. Miller, Miss Mary Ellen Overholtzer, Miss Kathryn Piazza and Miss Marion Shollenberger.

AUXILIARY PARTY

The Ladies' auxiliary of Troop 9 will hold a Christmas party at scout hall, in the Merchants hotel building tonight at 8 o'clock. Entertainment and refreshments will be enjoyed by the scouts, their parents, committeemen and members of the auxiliary.

Naomi R. Hunsinger Becomes Bride of Joseph Frederick

Simplicity marked the ceremony which united Miss Naomi Ruth Hunsinger and Mr. Joseph Custer Frederick in marriage Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Trappe Grace Lutheran church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs Hiram L. Hunsinger, 543 Spruce street, while the bridegroom is the son of Mrs Frances Frederick, 229 Bridge street, Spring City

The Rev. Russell W. Zimmerman, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony before the immediate families of the couple.

A Winter white wool dress, styled with a Peter Pan collar, full skirt trimmed in gold sequins and a gold belt formed the bridal attire Her accessories were brown and she wore a corsage of white roses.

Serving at matron of honor was Mrs. Jane Frederick. She wore a white dress featuring a high round neckline, fitted bodice, full skirt and gold belt. Her accessories were black and she wore a corsage of red roses.

Mr. Harry Frederick Jr., brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man

A dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents following the ceremony The newlyweds are residing with the bridegroom's mother at 229 Bridge street, Spring City

Mrs Frederick was graduated from North Coventry Senior High school with the class of 1946 Her husband attended Spring City High school prior to serving in the Army for two years He is an employe of the Spicer Manufacturing division of the Dana corporation.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

THIS IS A lucky time for all personal ventures, and also for sociability The prophesy for the year is also excellent, promising unexpected good fortune, travel, and beneficial changes. Push ahead with all affairs. Born today a child should be endowed with exceptional abilities, good health, many fine traits and a charming disposition.

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Lawrence Reeser son of Mr. and Mrs. John Reeser Sr, Yellow House

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Christ Eliades, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Eliades, 447 Chestnut street.

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Jean Kirk daughter of Mr. and Mrs George Kirk, Road B, Hildale.

Yesterday

Patricia Ann Leaman, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Ivan B. Leaman, 341 High street.

BIRTHS

On Saturday Mr and Mrs. Jacob Moyer, Oley, became the parents of a son in Memorial hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs Raymond Keeler, Penn Village, became the parents of a son on Saturday in Memorial hospital.

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Yesterday a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Korbel, 1128 Center avenue, in Memorial hospital.

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Mr and Mrs Frederick Stein, Boyertown announce the birth of a son Saturday in Pottstown hospital.

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Mr and Mrs James Fogerty, 339 Chestnut street, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Saturday in Pottstown hospital.

It's fun to use two or three narrow ribbons of different colors on gift packages for a more decorative look.

Gala Party Repeated After Saturday Success

Because a party held Saturday night at the home of Miss Vivianne Baldasano, Eighth and York streets, turned out to be such fun, it was repeated again last night with the same crowd attending

Decorations were in the traditional holiday hues with games and dancing enjoyed. At a late hour, both nights, refreshments were served by the hostess.

Attending were: Gene Pollick, Gerry Linton, Donald Schaeffer, Nancy Schaeffer, Betty Petzer, Gloria Petzer Donald Miller, Lorry Davidheiser, Betty Frech, Donald Iswalt, Yonnie Formando, Mickey Ullman and the hostess.

Social Calendar

Ladies auxiliary of Troop 9—Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in Scout hall, Merchants hotel building.

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Girl Scout Troop 10 of Trinity Reformed church—Meet at Pottstown hospital tonight at 7 o'clock to go Christmas caroling.

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Legion Auxiliary — Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the post home.

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Ladies auxiliary of the Upper Pottsgrove fire company—First annual Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the Upper Pottsgrove school building.

Brensingers to Observe Anniversary Tomorrow

Mr. and Mrs. George O. Brensinger, Barto, celebrated their 52d wedding anniversary yesterday in their home.

Mrs. Brensinger is the former Amanda Logheber. She and her husband have been natives of Barto all their lives He is a retired farmer and miller.

They have three children, Lottie, wife of Mr Luther Rissell, Allentown; Catherine, wife of Mr Ralph Saylor, Barto, and the late Mr. Charles Brensinger The couple have eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

PERSONALS

Mr and Mrs Edwin Smoyer, 349 Beech street, returned home on Saturday after spending several days in Roanoke, Va.

Weiss Apparel Store Fetes Employes at Party

The employes of Weiss' Women's Wearing Apparel store were feted recently at the annual Christmas party given by Mr. and Mrs. Max Weiss at the Brookside Country club.

Mr. Roy Eagle presided as toastmaster at the turkey dinner served to the group. Mr. Weiss extended the season's greeting to his employes and thanked them for their co-operation.

Led by Miss Marie Troutman, accompanied by Miss Venice Elaine Eagle on the piano, the employes song Christmas carols at the dinner table.

The holiday dinner was followed by singing and dancing.

Those who attended were Miss Troutman, Mr L Ed Rubin, Miss Esther Hersn, Miss Gertrude Carroll, Miss Angeline Laskey, Mrs Laura Strauss, Miss Pearl Haley, Miss Louise Lloyd, Miss Anna Gavaiya, Miss Barbara Silver, Miss Eagle, Mrs Mary Place, Miss Katherine Tiernan, Mrs. Gertrude Laskey, Mr E. N. Jenigen Mr. and Mrs Eagle and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Weiss

Woman's Club to Hear Address by Dr. Weber

"Peace on Earth" will be the theme of the address to be given by Dr Gustave W Weber director of religious studies at The Hill, at a meeting of members of the Woman's club tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in Library hall

As the basis for his talk, he will use the observations from his trip to Germany Switzerland, Ireland and Austria the past Summer. At that time he led a group of nine boys in a project toward international living

Miss Evelyn Snell, will be the leader of the program while Miss Florence A. Erb will preside Christmas gifts will be exchanged and refreshments will be served by the room committee Mrs Walton Merkel, chairman. Mrs John B. Devincentis will read the Christmas story.

Reformed Sunday School Entertained by Teachers

A Christmas party for the intermediate girls of the Reformed Sunday school of Sassamansville was held recently at the home of Miss Barbara Hoffman, Congo

The teachers, Mrs. Hilda Rhoads and Miss Hoffman, were the co-hostesses

Decorations, which followed the Yuletide motif were arranged by Shirley Hoffman and Jeanette Johnson The games were selected by Anna Rothenberger and Mae Laushaw

Bethany Center Stages Dance for Young People

Approximately 110 young people enjoyed a dance Saturday night in the Bethany Recreation center.

Mr Eddie Page and his orchestra provided the music and refreshments were served throughout the evening.

Chaperones were Mr Walter Weaver, Mrs Levi Burdan and Mr and Mrs. Richard Ricketts.

On Dec 30, a Christmas dance will be sponsored by the recreation commission

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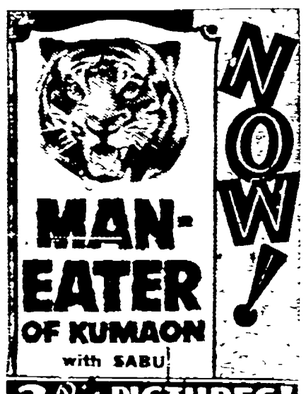

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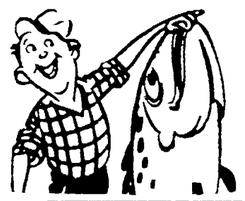

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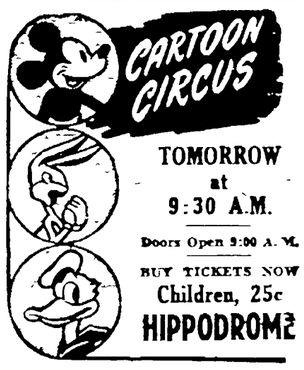

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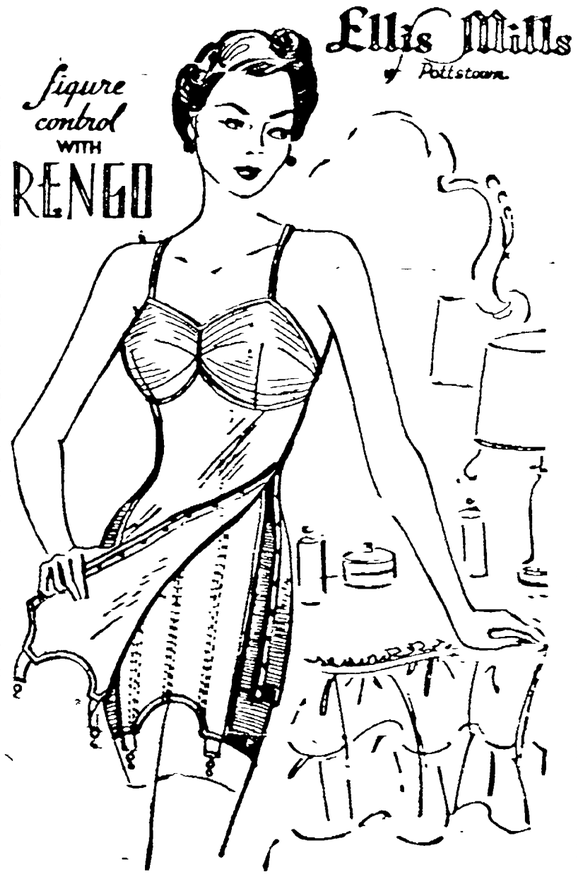

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Young Adult Class Of Lutheran Church Entertains Orphans

A little boy with a brand new sled proved to be a better weather prophet than Mr. Weatherman who had forecast light snow changing to rain for yesterday.

The boy is a resident of the Germantown orphanage and the sled was one of 20 gifts presented to teenage boys and girls by the Young Adults of Transfiguration Lutheran church at a party Saturday night at the orphanage

A big grin lighted up the child's face as he laid eyes on the culmination of his Christmas dreams. "Golly," he said touching it carefully and not quite believing what his eyes told him was true.

"Yeah," said another youngster, "but it's a shame you won't be able to use it. We're not going to have any snow for awhile."

With a look of determination on his face the recipient of the sled declared, "You wait and see—it's going to snow tomorrow, and snow hard!"

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SUNDAY MORNING churchgoers discovered to their dismay that the juvenile weather prophet was correct, at least that one time.

Two girls with plaid umbrellas defied superstition repeatedly by opening and closing their gifts, thanking the donors each time they posed for their friends showing how they'd look during the next rainstorm.

Another girl who probably greeted yesterday's snow with a loud "hurrah" was the one who had asked for and received a pair of red boots.

Other boys and girls proudly exhibited sweaters, socks, slips, pen and pencil sets, blouses initialed pins and other covered gifts

The party opened with the singing of Christmas hymns in an auditorium decorated brightly with lighted Christmas trees and greens The young people played such games as holding peas on the ends of straws by suction, piling marbles in a pie tin supposedly balanced on the tops of their heads, the "broad jump" and the smell guessing contest.

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THE POTTSTOWN church group discovered that its Germantown friends far outdid them in skills and that some of the Young Adults were "bottlenecks" in the parade of progress

Ice cream sundaes, pretzels and cake climaxed the evening of entertainment As the youngsters tried to decide who was going to be chairman of the clean-up committee, a Pottstonian said, "I'm afraid we've made quite a mess out of your auditorium."

"But it was well worth the while!" declared a starry-eyed girl clutching her gayly-wrapped gift

Among the Young Adults who attended the party were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bittle the Rev and Mrs Theodore L Fischer, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scheffey, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bauer, Miss Margaret Diefenderfer, Miss Carolyn Longacre, Mr and Mrs Melvin Feroe, Miss Virginia Feroe, Master Tebbie Feroe, Mr. and Mrs

HOSPITALS

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Admitted: Mrs Elizabeth Stein, Boyertown, maternity; Mrs. Madeline Fogerty, 339 Chestnut street, maternity; James Hoffert, Reading, surgical; Myrtle Bell, 222 North York street, medical, Edward Vigneault, 247 Lee avenue, medical; Frank Simcik, Reading, surgical; Gerald Dilliplane, 669 North Keim street, medical, Paul Stengel, Bally, surgical

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MEMORIAL

Admitted: Mrs Dorothy Moyer, Oley, maternity; Mrs. Betty Keeler, Penn Village, maternity; Mrs. Jean Kornel, 1126 Center avenue, maternity; Dr Ferdinand Coronin, Atlas, Northumberland county, surgical, Lucille Moser, Linfield, surgical.

Discharged: Mrs. Katheryn Miller, Schwenkville, maternity; Mrs. Wally Steinle, Schwenkville, surgical; Mrs Grace Swenson, Boyertown, surgical, Frank Nowobilski, Stowe, medical, Mrs. Betty F Ziegler, Boyertown, maternity; Mrs Thelma Krauss, Boyertown, maternity, Mrs. Irvilne Grosser, 460 Spruce street, maternity; Mrs. Minnie L. Wade, 501 High street, medical, Mrs. Ethel F Hill, 515 Lincoln avenue, surgical.

Lutheran Society Hears Christmas Story Again

The Christmas story, in song and word, was given recently at a meeting of the Women's Missionary society of Grace Lutheran church in the recreation room

Mrs. Melvin Sell was in charge of the program and Mrs Charles Jacob conducted the business meeting

Those on the program committee for January are, Mrs. Lester Bush, Mrs. Arthur Bechtel and Mrs George Russell Mrs Raymond Russell, Mrs. Paul Saltzer, Mrs. Kline and Mrs Jacob are on the altar committee for the months of December and January

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served by the following members of the refreshment committee: Mrs Clarence Reinert, Mrs DeKalb, Mrs Merril Himes and Mrs. Edna Fredd

Harry Hildebrand, Mrs Marie Dengler, Mr Frank Steffen Miss Ardith Donmoyer, Mr Samuel Mauger, Mr. and Mrs Robert Bucher and Mrs. Muriel Lichtenwalner.

Washington Memorial Chapel Is Setting For Large Fitch-Vaughan Wedding Rites

Wed Saturday

The Washington Memorial chapel at Valley Forge was the setting Saturday afternoon for the marriage of Miss Nancy Harriett Vaughan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Eisen Vaughan Jr., of Mid-Acres farm, to Mr Joseph William Fitch.

Mr Fitch is a son of Mr and Mrs. Claude Waters Fitch, of Salt Lake City, Utah

The Rev Dr. John Robbins Hart, rector of the chapel, performed the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a portrait gown of ivory tone velvet It was fashioned with long tapering sleeves and featured a voluminous skirt, trimmed with self cording worn over crinoline and a hoop.

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HER FINGERTIP veil, of candlelight illusion, was fastened to a bonnet of shirred velvet The small muff which she carried was adorned with white orchids.

Miss Mildred Stanley, of Montclair, N. J, was chosen as the maid of honor and appeared in a gown of chartreuse velvet with tight fitting bodice which was attached a full skirt and bustle. Matching halo hat and muff were trimmed with holly and red carnations.

Attending as bridesmaids were Miss Helen Burt, Collingswood, N. J; Miss Elizabeth Fehl, Reading and Miss Velma James and Mrs. Neal Johnson, Warren Their dresses and accessories were of holly green velvet and were patterned similar to that of the maid of honor.

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MR JOHN Fitzgerald, of Everett, Mass, served as best man Ushers included Mr. Andrew E. Vaughan 3d and Mr Elliott Field Vaughan, brothers of the bride; Messrs Thomas Campbell, Philadelphia; Dawson Adams, Chicago, Ill., and Robert Fulton, Newark, N. J.

The mother of the bride Mrs. Vaughan, chose a softly tailored gown of toast-colored satin with draped hat of brown and amber tones. With this she wore a corsage of orchids.

Black velvet accessories highlighted the gown of iridescent taffeta chosen by the mother of the bridegroom. She wore an orchid corsage.

In gown of ivory toned velvet, Miss Nancy Harriett Vaughan (above) became the bride of Mr Joseph William Fitch in a ceremony performed in Washington Memorial chapel, Valley Forge, Saturday afternoon. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs Andrew Eisen Vaughan Jr., Mid-Acres farm. Mr Fitch is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Waters Fitch, Salt Lake City, Utah.

A reception followed at Mid-Acres farm, home of the bride's parents Later the couple left for a wedding trip to the West coast Upon their return, they will make their home in Bradford.

Mrs Fitch is a graduate of Harcum Junior college, Bryn Mawr, while Mr Fitch was graduated from the University of Utah.

Carbon County Man Weds Miss Marie C. Badman

Miss Marie C. Badman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Badman, Pennsburg, became the bride of Mr Roland O Shupp, son of Mr. and Mrs Jerry Shupp, Palmerton, Carbon county, recently.

The Rev. Wilmer Mantz, pastor of the Pennsburg Reformed church, performed the ceremony in the parsonage.

The bride was attired in aqua dress with gold accessories and wore a yellow rose corsage. She is a graduate of Pennsburg High school and is employed at the Pennsburg Clothing company.

Mr Shupp, who was graduated from Palmerton High school, spent three years in the South Pacific with the Army He is employed at the East Greenville Sanitary company.

The young couple will reside in their newly-furnished home at 606 Main street, Pennsburg.

Operetta to Be Staged By West Vincent Pupils

An operetta, "The Christmas Strike," will be given by the pupils of St Andrew's school, West Vincent township, Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in the schoolhouse.

Two plays, "The Christmas Card Mystery" and "On Christmas Eve," also will be presented.

New Officers Elected By Brethren Bible Group

Officers for the coming year were elected at a meeting of the Friendly Bible circle of the Salem Evangelical United Brethren church Saturday night in the home of Mr and Mrs Lorin Ellis, 638 Spruce street.

Those holding office are: Lorin Ellis, president; Mr. Walter Price, vice president, Mr. Ferol Kauler, secretary, and Mr. Earl Graves, treasurer

Mr Ellis was in charge of the meeting and he read the Christmas story as found in the Bible The group joined in with the singing of Christmas carols and several numbers were heard from the circle quartet, composed of Mrs Arlene Moser, Mrs Irene Hess, Mrs Loretta Price and Mrs Frances Ewing.

Gifts were exchanged and a social hour was enjoyed. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs Ralph Buckwalter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Price, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Yoder, Mr and Mrs Hoace Reigner, Mr. and Mrs Lorin Ellis, the Rev and Mrs W. H Kauler, Mrs Ivan Moser, Mrs. Harold Ewing, Miss Dorothy Hess, Miss Marlene Yoder, Miss Marlene Ellis and Master Jimmy Price.

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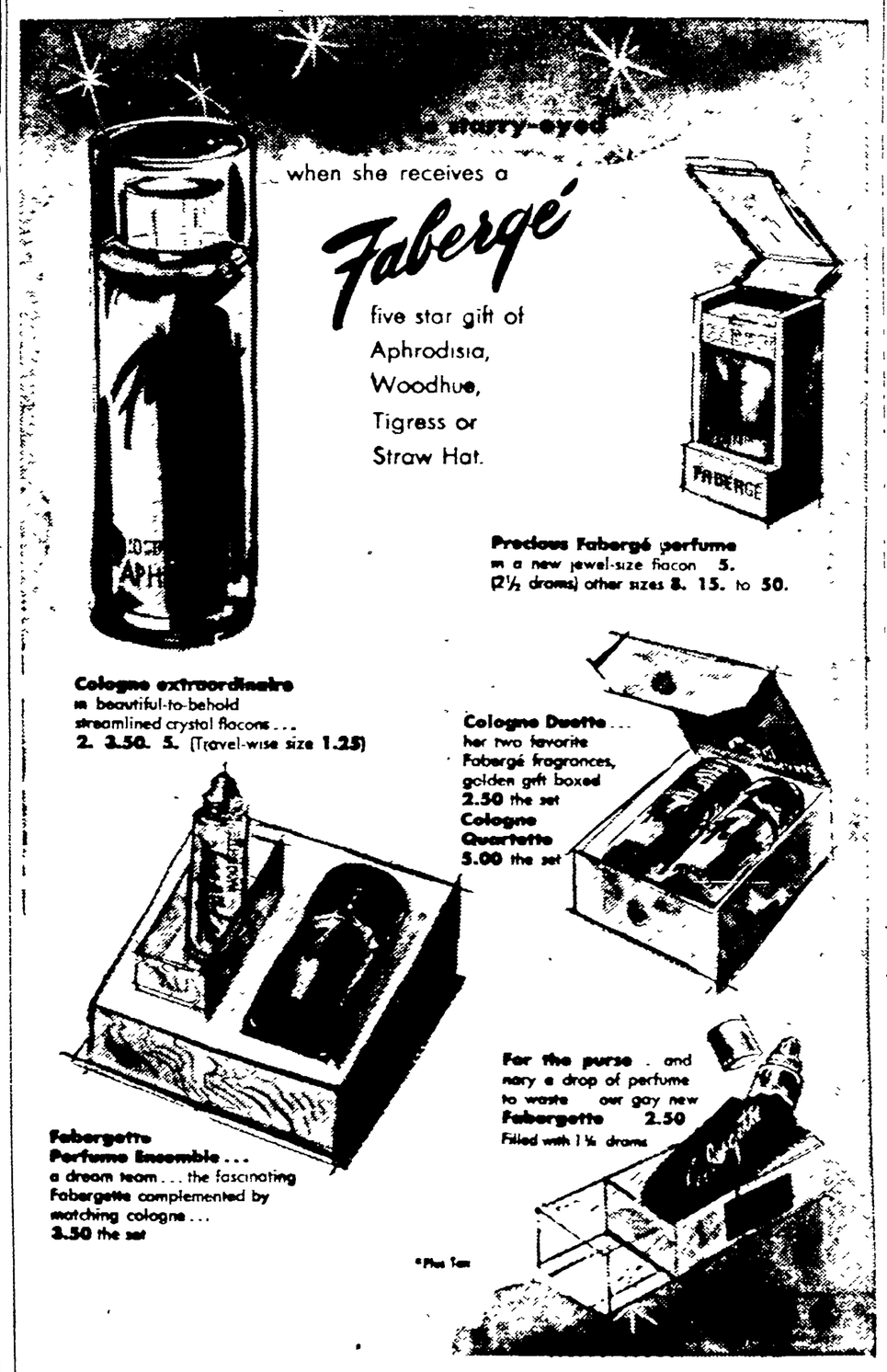

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Robert Watson Weds Miss Helen Keiter In Royersford Methodist Church Service

Miss Helen Marie Keiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Keiter, 543 Walnut street, Royersford, became the bride of Robert Harrison Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Watson, Santurce, Puerto Rico, at a double-ring ceremony in Royersford Methodist church at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The Rev. Cortland R. Pusey, pastor, officiated. The altar was decorated with palms and red and white poinsettias. The organist, Miss Jeanne Koch, rendered two solos, and Roger Cattermole and Miss Roberta Keiter, sister of the bride, sang.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a hoop-skirted gown of white slipper satin. Her illusion veil was attached to a pearl satin tiara and she carried an old-fashioned shower bouquet of white rosebuds, white snap dragons and white carnations, with satin ribbons and ivy showering from the bouquet.

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MISS LAURA JEAN MORROW, Royersford, was maid-of-honor, attired in an off-the-shoulder hoop-skirted gown of old rose taffeta. She carried a bouquet of yellow carnations and deep red snapdragons, with ivy showering from the bouquet and with a matching head band of yellow carnations.

The bridesmaids, Miss Flora Wanner, Royersford, and Miss Marilyn Cohen, Philadelphia, a cousin of the bridegroom, were off-the-shoulder gowns of lime green taffeta, and carried old-fashioned bouquets of rust colored chrysanthemums and snapdragons and ivy showering, with matching head bands.

Mrs Keiter, the bride's mother, wore a dress of black moire, with gold accessories.

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RAYMOND OVERDORF, Royersford, was best man for the bridegroom, and the ushers were John White and Jack Keiter, brother of the bride.

A reception followed immediately after the ceremony, at the home of the bride. The couple plans a wedding trip to Santurce, Puerto Rico, where they will visit the bridegroom's parents, formerly of Royersford. Upon their return they will live at the Watson home, 341 Walnut street, Royersford.

The bride, a graduate of Royersford High school with the class of 1947, has been employed at Royersford Needleworks Mr. Watson, who graduated from Royersford High with the 1946 class, served two years in the U S Navy He is now attending Spring Garden institute, Philadelphia.

Carols, Band Music To Attend Lighting Of Community Tree

Royersford's Community Christmas tree will be lighted tonight during a program of band music, singing and the arrival of Santa Claus.

The affair is scheduled to start at 7 o'clock around the tree on the lawn in front of the American Legion post house, 554 Main street. In the event of rain or sleet, the program will be postponed until tomorrow night.

The program, with Royersford High school band as the highlight, will begin with a medley of carols by the band, directed by Miss Alice Schimpf, music supervisor. Paul Yerk, commander of the American Legion post, will give the address of welcome, followed by group singing, accompanied by the band.

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OTHER NUMBERS include a solo by Roger Cattermole; group singing to band accompaniment; a solo by Betty Mauger, accompanied by Nancy Emswiler, followed by group singing.

The climax will be reached with the entrance of Santa Claus to the playing of "Jingle Bells" by the band. Santa will distribute small gifts to the young children. The committee has planned this program to please the people of the community and hopes for their support.

The committee comprises:

Charles Keeley, Paul Yerk, Raymond Shelly, William Randall, Eddie Hart, William Harbison Sr., William Harbison Jr, Kenneth Weigel, Chris Wright, Mrs John Rosenberger, Mrs Carl Straub, Mrs. Otto Bertz, Mrs Bayard Thompson, Mrs. John Miller, Mrs. Harry Frederick, Mrs Earl Nelson, Mrs. Ralph Landes, Mrs. Ellis Nelson and Mrs Paul Tyson Jr

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Woman 'Abducted' In Reading Station Turns Up at Home

This man thought he lost his wife—but she only disappeared!

Royersford police were called to the Reading railroad station yesterday afternoon. An excited husband, who had come here with his wife earlier in the day from Pottsville, told Chief of Police Bryson Turner he had been waiting in the station with his wife for the northbound train due here at 1:51 o'clock, to return home to Pottsville, after visiting a relative at Pennhurst State school.

To add to his imagination, this man had seen two men in an automobile outside the depot looking into the station. The auto the two two men and his wife disappeared at the same time, so he thought they kidnaped her. He told the ticket agent, who notified police

When Chief Turner contacted the train dispatcher at Reading, he learned that the man's wife had boarded the train and was safely on her way home.

Later it was learned the woman had left the waiting room of the station via the back door, walked around the station and boarded the train so quickly her husband did not see her.

She had taken both tickets and baggage Hubby had to wait until the next train, three hours later, and incidentally, had to buy another ticket.

Church Directory

Royersford Grace Lutheran church announcements. today, 3 p. m., meeting of Brownies; tonight, 7 00 o'clock, Girl Scouts, tomorrow, 3 p m., weekday school, tomorrow night, 6 30 o'clock, junior catechetical class; Wednesday night, 6 30 o clock, confirmation class, Thursday night, 6 30 o'clock, chapel choir rehearsal, 7 30 o'clock, senior Scouts; 8 o'clock, senior choir rehearsal, Friday night, 11 30 o'clock, Christmas eve' carol and candle lighting service.

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Spring City Methodist church announcements tomorrow night, 6 30 o'clock, junior fellowship Christmas party; 7 30 o clock, Sunday school board of education; Friday night, 11 to 12 o'clock, Christmas eve' choral service.

Spring City Man Sues In 1946 Auto Accident

John H Sautter, 348 Broad street, Spring City, seeks to recover $496 01 in damages from Herman L. Feldman, Philadelphia, in a suit filed at West Chester, as the result of an auto accident on Route 29, which occurred in October of 1946.

This amount is asked for damages to the car of the plaintiff, operated by D Clarke Sautter, local attorney.

Hospital Notes

Charles Feairheller. Royersford, and Archie Challis, Spring City, have been discharged from Phoenixville hospital.

Puppy Found in Storm Turned Over to Police

A puppy apparently somebody's well-bred pet, was brought to Royersford borough hall yesterday afternoon by two girls who found the animal shivering in the snow near Grace Lutheran church, Main street and Sixth avenue

The pup, a female, is of the shepherd or collie variety and has black hair, with tan spots on the legs and chin, and wears a shoulder harness

Police said the owner may have it by applying at borough hall If the owner fails to call within a reasonable time, police will offer it to anybody who will give it a good home.

Police Warning Issued On Weather Conditions

Suggestions for coping with conditions following yesterday's heavy snowfall were listed by Royersford's chief of police, Bryson Turner. To falicitate movement of traffic, the chief suggested that:

All cars not used daily and parked on borough streets should be removed to afford borough employes more space for plowing Snow shall not be thrown into the highways where cars travel, but piled along the curb Pavements must be cleared wide enough for a walking space within 24 hours after snow stops falling All cars should use chains to prevent accidents. Restrain children from sledding on heavily traveled streets.

500 Kids Entertained At Christmas Party

Three Royersford organizations combined to sponsor a Merry Christmas party for upwards of 500 kiddies in the high school auditorium Saturday afternoon

A program was presented by professional entertainers and gifts were distributed by Santa Claus The interior of the room was appropriately decorated

The affair was given by Friendship Fire company, the Veterans of Foreign Wars post and the American-Italian Bocce club.

The program included a Punch and Judy show, clown act, juggler and a novelty act Santa Claus arrived and handed out candy and oranges to the group Chairman of the committee in charge was Paul Isett, who was aided by members of the three organizations

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Shoppers Attack Gunmen As Holdup Attempt Fails

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Two robbers were set upon last night by a crowd of angry shoppers and had to be rescued by policemen who had foiled their holdup

Police identified the gunmen as ex-convicts. They were seized in the Western avenue drygoods store after the holdup attempt in which about 15 clerks and customers were menaced.

A woman saw the armed pair in the store and called police, who disarmed them after Policeman James Weston fired one shot over their heads.

When the robbers were divested of their guns, the intended holdup victims moved in, and pummeled the gunmen. One was hit on the head with a milk bottle and suffered a cut which bled freely. The police finally got the two men outside and into a squad car.

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U. S. 'GET TOUGH' POLICY FOR JAPS MAY BE LATE

MacArthur Orders Overhaul of Economy; Resistence Expected

TOKYO, Dec. 19 (AP)—General MacArthur demanded of the Japanese today a thorough overhaul of their antiquated economic practices, but there is a question whether the new American "get tough" policy has come too late

The drive toward a quick, effective economic stabilization was ordered by the United States Army and State departments Saturday. (Friday, U. S. date.)

It will not be easy, but it has become urgent—partly because of Communist gains on the Asiatic continent

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IN A STRONG LETTER to Premier Shigeru Yoshida today, the occupation commander put the responsibility on Yoshida MacArthur warned Japan to prepare for greater austerity and the "temporary surrender" of some freedoms to stabilize the national economy.

MacArthur said his directive from Washington is based on the premise that the American taxpayer—who is underwriting aid for Japan—is entitled to maximum production and minimum waste. He said any attempt to "delay or frustrate" the stabilization program 'must be curbed as menacing the general welfare"

The question is: Can MacArthur enforce his orders on this once-obedient nation.

The answer may be outlined during the next few months in what probably will be a stubborn and partly hidden battle between occupation headquarters and Japanese power groups — industrialists, bureaucracies, labor and Leftists and Rightists alike.

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MacARTHUS HAS expressed faith in Japanese ability to take the initiative, but it is evident that he will be required to get tough before progress is made

It is also likely that the more directives he issues, the more Japanese he will find aligned against him

French Okay Return Of German Village To Russian Control

BERLIN, Dec 19 (AP)—The French military hauled down its tricolor flag in the frightened little village of Stolpe today and abandoned it to the Russians It thus became a victim of the cold war.

German local officials, loyal to the Western Allies, fled like battle refugees into Berlin, a mile away. Villagers who had voted 100 percent against Moscow Communism in the Berlin election two weeks ago shivered behind bolted doors, waiting for the Russians to return and fearing reprisals.

It was a fantastic—and microscopic—preview of what might happen on a greater scale if the Western Allies ever lose Berlin.

Stolpe with a farm population of less than 1000 was given to the French by Russia in October, 1945, so its surrounding green meadows could be converted into an airfield for the adjacent French sector of Berlin.

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THE AIRPORT NEVER was built, but the past month the French completed the Tegel air base inside Berlin itself, for use by airlift over the Russian blockade

Thursday the French dynamited two transmission towers—262 and 393 feet high—of the Soviet-controlled Berlin radio, because they said it endangered airlift planes landing at Tegel. There was nothing to indicate that the return of Stolpe would abate Russian wrath at that action.

Early today Stolpe's German farmers learned that the French had yielded to a demand of Lt. Gen G. S Lukjanitschenko the Soviet chief of staff in Berlin, and were returning the village to the Russians A few hours later Russian soldiers reconnoitered the approaches and asked Germans whether the French had carted away any equipment. They did not occupy Stople then.

Reds Close In on Nanking, Tighten Ring Around Tientsin

NANKING, Dec. 19 (AP) — The Communists edged closer to Nanking and increased their pressure around Tientsin today, but only scattered fighting was reported from any China war front.

Unofficial sources in this capital said Communist bands were repulsed in an attack on Hsiennumiao, only 15 miles north of the Yangtze river and 50 miles northeast of Nanking

The Communist radio reported capture of Tienchang, 50 miles north of Nanking and 35 miles northwest of Hsiennumiao.

While pro-government papers insisted the sixth army group and the 20th army had joined at Pengpu, Seymour Topping, AP correspondent in Pengpu, reported government forces had retreated south from that city 108 miles northwest of Nanking.

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PENGPU WAS THE anchor of the Hwai river defense Line. Topping reported the government was forced to abandon it after the Reds pierced the line and bypassed Pengpu on both sides.

New government field headquarters were set up at Chuhsien, only 30 miles northwest of Peiping on the railway from Pengpu.

There was no further government word concerning the encircled 12th army group, which the Communists have listed as destroyed northwest of Pengpu, or from the two government army groups trapped southwest of Suchow.

The Communist radio said Gen. Huang Wei and Gen Wu Shou-Chow, commander and vice-commander of the 12th, were among captives

Harold K. Milks, who flew from Nanking to Communist-surrounded Peiping, radioed that he passed over the two encircled groups 35 miles southwest of Suchow on Friday. He saw no signs of any effort to break out

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GOVERNMENT VEHICLES were parked in rows and dug in for protection, he reported. The only activity which could be seen from the air was occasional mortar fire This apparently was to help the runs of transport planes dropping supplies into the pocket.

Milks said the nationalist armies there, as in Peiping, seemed to have reached a stage of sitting and waiting

Milks and a party of correspondents and U. S. military attaches—nine in all—were cut off temporarily in Peiping by Communist seizure of that city's south airfield.

A small emergency field laid out inside the walls was considered too dangerous for a loaded plane to take off. Whereupon Gen Fu Tso-Yi, the North China commander, promised to recapture the south field so the Americans could leave

Ringed by Communists Peiping remained calm within its high, thick wall, where Fu has concentrated his 100,000 troops.

Firemen Rescue Stricken Worker

Suffering a fractured skull following a fall into an empty water tank which he was dismantling, Robert Rivers, 40, is lowered to safety (left) by Chicago firemen who cut into the tank to rescue him At right, Rivers is treated by a doctor as soon as he reaches the ground.

Senator Predicts Congress Will Change Farm Parity Law

WASHINGTON, Dec 19 (AP)—With an eye on the election results Democrats will move early in the new Congress to change the system by which the Government supports farm prices, Senator Elmer Thomas (D-Okla) said today.

Thomas told a reporter the first business of the Senate agriculture committee—which he will head under Democratic control of Congress—will be farm price hearings.

"I want the committee to go into this matter as soon as we can get organized," the Oklahoman said

Thomas left no doubt that he favors return to a fixed parity for farm price supports instead of the sliding scale provided in the present Aiken-Hope law.

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PARITY IS A COMPUTED price aimed at giving a farm product the same relative purchasing power it had in a past favorable period. The idea is to equalize the prices farmers get for their products with the cost of things they buy Price supports usually are in the form of Government loans up to a certain percentage of parity.

Under the Aiken-Hope law, the loans vary between 60 and 90 percent of parity.

But Thomas said he thinks they ought to be 90 percent—at least 85 percent—for all of the major crops These include wheat, cotton, corn, peanuts, rice and tobacco

Some farm organizations have endorsed the Aiken-Hope law, but Thomas said he is satisfied individual farmers want fixed parity.

CAR DRIVER DROWNS

BURGETTSTOWN, Dec 19 (AP) — Robert S McAlpine, 46, of Baden, drowned today as his jeep skidded from route 18 into a 20-foot strip mine excavation filled with about 10 feet of water

EX-SOLDIER WHO BROKE BLOCKADE FLEES FROM JAIL

Edward Lada Escapes From Army Stockade; Came to Berlin for Love

BERLIN, Dec. 19 (AP)—Edward J. Lada, the former paratrooper who broke through the Russian blockade for love, broke out of jail last night.

Officers at the U S Army stockade where the 28-year-old Newark, N. J, veteran was being held on charges of illegal entry said he escaped just a day after receiving a letter from Ursula Schmidt, one of

EDWARD LADA

his two German girl friends In the letter, Ursula told him she thought it would be better 'if we go separate ways"

'I told him off," she informed military police who went to her home looking for Lada. She said she hadn't seen him.

The MPs also went to the home of Ruth Riecki, 23-year-old mother of his two-year-old daughter, Nancy Lada wasn't there either.

Lada, who served in the 82d Airborne Division during the war, hitch-hiked through Soviet zone guards late in November When he went to the U S consulate here to legalize his visit he was arrested and thereupon announced that he had come to see his sweetheart

Swiftly, it developed that there were two of them First he said he came for Ursula, a blonde, 21-year-old actress Then he said he wanted to marry Ruth and take her and the baby home with him. He even went so far as to ask for a visa for Ruth and the baby She already has been turned down for a visa once because of ill health

Mundt Says Federal Spy Hunt Will Continue for 'Many Months'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—The Congressional spy hunt may go on for "many months"

The House committee on un-American activities sees a potential spy in "every Communist sympathizer in government"

This report came today from Rep Mundt (R-SD), acting chairman of the committee. He also said in a statement:

1. The committee wants to question eight witnesses before the end of the year prior to its final report on "the current phases of the Communist espionage conspiracy." The names of two of the eight, Franklin Victor Reno and Hedda Gompers, were mentioned by the committee for the first time. They were not identified

2. Committee investigations now have made it clear that "the Communist espionage hazard is still very much present in our government offices today"

3 "Many of the confusions and the contradictions in our recent foreign policy fiasos and the resulting chaotic conditions now existing in Asia and Europe are directly attributable to the Soviet-supporting recommendations, proposals, and treachery of State department personalities." Mundt said their "connection with Communism has been close as to handicap the great majority of our State department employes whose loyalty is unquestioned."

4. The State department has made "great strides" in the past two years in "weeding out and removing the disloyal and questionable characters who have weasled their way into positions of influence. The job must be completed.

Mundt told reporters that Franklin Victor Reno "might be able to shed some light on the Aberdeen proving ground situation."

Barkley to Visit Airlift Fliers on Christmas Day

PADUCAH, Ky., Dec 19 (AP) — Senator Alben W Barkley said tonight he's going to spend Christmas with American airmen flying the airlift to Berlin

The vice president-elect said that as a member of the executive committee of the interparliamentary union he was to attend a meeting of the group in Paris, Dec 28 and 29

Air Secretary W Stuart Symington asked Barkley to leave earlier so he could be with the soldiers on the airlift Christmas, the senator said.

'I gladly accepted," Barkley told a reporter He added, 'naturally, I would have liked to be at home for Christmas But my time isn't just my own anymore"

Barkley said he would leave his home near here Tuesday morning for Washington He said he and Symington would depart from Washington by air Wednesday.

They'll probably go first to Wiesbaden, Germany, a southern terminus of the airlift, Barkley said, spending Christmas eve there Christmas Day, he said, they plan to go on to Berlin.

U. S. Bomb Dropped in '44 Explodes Near Hamburg

HAMBURG, Germany Dec 19 (AP) —A 1000-pound bomb dropped by the American airforce in 1944, exploded yesterday, killing one person and injuring 34 at suburban Niendorf, police said today. More than 15 houses were damaged by the blast.

'Gentleman's Agreement' Is Named Best Picture of 1948 in Annual Poll

NEW YORK, Dec 20—Darryl F Zanuck's 'Gentleman's Agreement" was named the year's top picture in the 27th annual "Ten Best Pictures" poll conducted by Film Daily.

The 20th Century-Fox production starring Gregory Peck, Dorothy McGuire and John Garfield took down the coveted spot as the ballots of 508 representative motion picture critics, re-

McGuire Peck

viewers and commentators were tabulated. "Gentleman's Agreement" polled 278 votes.

Warner Brothers' "Johnny Belinda,' with Jane Wyman, Lew Ayres and Charles Bickford nailed down the No 2 spot with 244 votes. This total was just two jumps ahead of RKO's 'I Remember Mama" which grabbed off the No 3 rating. Irene Dunne and Barbara Bel Geddes were featured.

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THE STIRRING WARNER Brothers' production, "Treasure of Sierra Madre" with a cast headed up by Walter Houston, Humphrey Bogart and Tim Holt, polled 211 votes for fourth place.

Eight votes behind came Sir Lawrence Olivier's inspiring production of "Hamlet" Sir Lawrence was star-director of the film which included some of England's finest performers.

The late Mark Hellinger's "The Naked City" polled 199 votes to capture sixth place The cast included Barry Fitzgerald and Howard Duff.

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CLIFTON WEBB'S spirited performance in 20th Century-Fox's "Sitting Pretty" carried the film into seventh place with a total of 180 votes. The film was a satire on life in the suburbs

"State of the Union", adapted from the famous Broadway play and starring Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn and Van Johnson followed in eighth place with 173 votes. The MGM film was produced and directed by Frank Capra.

One hundred and fifty-three votes poured into the till giving 20th Century-Fox its third film in the big ten. This time it was "Call Northside 777", an epic story of Chicago life. James Stewart and Richard Conte were starred.

Rounding out the top ten was Samuel Goldwyn's "The Bishop's Wife", a mirthful, fanciful film with Cary Grant, Loretta Young and David Niven. It polled 144 votes.

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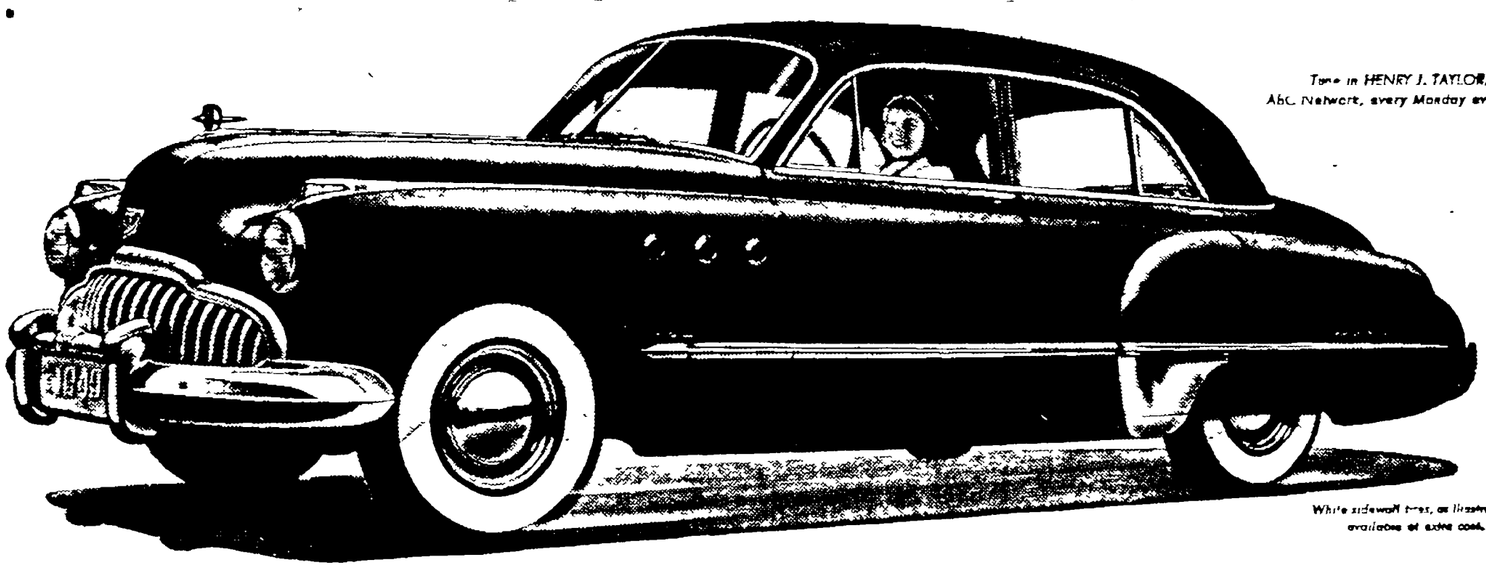

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7	Musical Clock; News; Music; Musical Clock	News; Music; Bugle Call; Music; J. Raleigh, News	LeRoy Miller; News; Weather; LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire; Comedy; News; Mac McGuire
8	Musical Clock; News; Musical Clock	Bugle Call, Music, News	Newsical Clock; Morning Extra	Start Day Right; News; Mac McGuire
9	Ruth Welles; School Hour; The Little Show	Cinderella Weekend; Hollywood Stars	Breakfast Club	News; Chatter Bar; Chatter Bar; Trip to the Zoo
10	Fred Waring; Road of Life; The Brighter Day	Let's Have Fun; Aaro Rings; Arthur Godfrey	My True Story; Betty Crocker; Show Time	Key to Happiness; News; Gems of Melody; Polka Favorites
11	Nora Drake; Love and Learn; Jack Berch; Lora Lawton	Arthur Godfrey; For Women Only; Rosemary	Kay Kyser Kollege; Ted Malone; What Makes You	Kitchen Kapers; Gabriel Heatter; Victor Lindlahr

AFTERNOON

Hour	KYW	WCAU	WFIL	WIP
12	Gabe Millerand; Lunchtimers; News; Weather	W. Warr'n; News; Aunt Jenny; Helen Trent; Our Gal Sunday	Welcome Traveler; Sleepy Hollow Gang; News	Kate Smith; News; Harmony Boys
1	Melody Magic; Health Problems; Something Old	Big Sister; Ma Perkins; Dr. Malone; Guiding Light	Anything Goes; Music; Alice Ives	Johnny Long; John Nesbitt; Melody Gems; Do Re Mi
2	Double or Nothing; Today's Children; Light of World	Mrs Burton; Perry Mason; Nora Drake; What Makes You	Norman Black; Science Fun; Bride & Groom	Queen For a Day; Golden Hope Chest
3	Life Beautiful; Ma Perkins; Pepper Young; Happiness	David Harum; Hilltop House; House Party; News	Ladies Be Seated; Galen Drake; Xmas Parties	Try For Fun; The Happy Gang
4	Backstage Wife; Stella Dallas; Lorenzo Jones; Widder Brown	Hint Hunt; Hint Hunt Band; For Women Only	Here's Howard; News	News; Melody Matinee; Santa Claus; Memory Lane
5	When Girl Weds; Portia Faces Life; Just Plain Bill; David Farrell	Your Lucky Strike; Spotlight Show; Herb Shriner	Challenge of the Yukon; Sky King	Adventure; Superman; Capt. Midnight; Tom Mix

EVENING

Hour	KYW	WCAU	WFIL	WIP
6	News; Talk; Sports; Weather; As You Like It; 3-Star Extra	Fred Manes; Sports Weather; Mike Mysteries; Lowell Thomas	Magic Lady; Bing Crosby; John Kennedy; Moorehead	Uncle Wip; Johnson Family; Sports; News; Ray Bloch
7	Supper Club; News; Adventures In Music	Beulah; Jack Smith; Club 15; Edward Murrow	News, Santa C's; Spinners Sanc'm; Lone Ranger; Cowboy Drama	Unseen Advisor; News; Variety Hall; Inside of Sports
8	Cavalcade of America; Voice of Firestone	Inner Sanctum; Arthur Godfrey	Railroad Hour; Henry J. Taylor	The Falcon; Gregory Hood
9	Telephone Hour; Dr. I. Q.	Radio Theatre	Let's Go To The Met; Stars In The Night	Gabriel Heatter; Singing Sam; Fishing and Hunting Club
10	Contented Program; Radio City Playhouse	My Friend Irma; Bob Hawk Show	Haddonfield Choral Society; On Trials	Littlest Angel; Loretta Young; John Facenda; Fulton Lewis
11	News; Radio Night Club; Dress Rehearsal; Boston Symp'y	News; Powers Gouraud; Cab Calloway	News; Weather; Duke Ellington Show	Come and Dance
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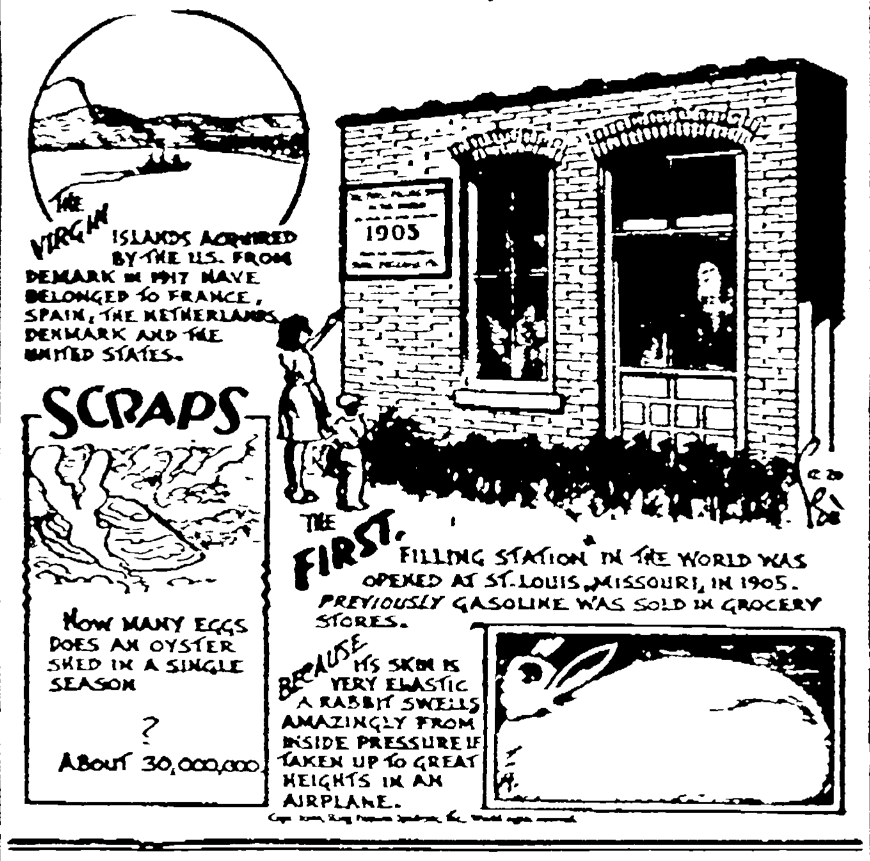

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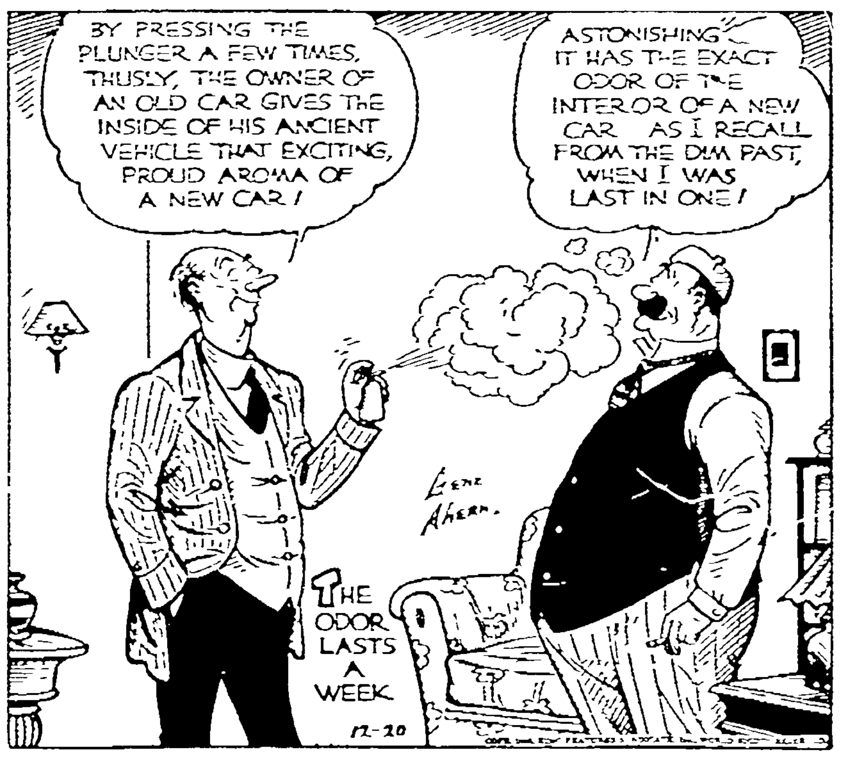

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

DAUMIER, the great French painter, once fell a full year behind in his rent, and the landlord became understandingly obstreperous. Daumier boomed, "Be off, you foul capitalist! The day will come when wide-eyed tourists will gape at this garret and whisper, 'The great artist Daumier painted here'."

The landlord nodded agreement. "If I haven't got my back rent by six o'clock tonight," he declared "they'll be able to say it tomorrow."

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An eccentric New Englander died in his lonely, 40-room mansion, after leaving instructions that he was to be buried at two in the morning, and that his will was to be read immediately thereafter. A blizzard was raging on the night of the funeral, and only four mourners exerted themselves sufficiently to attend the bizarre ceremony. They were amply rewarded however. The deceased's will directed that his entire estate—almost half a million dollars—be divided equally among those who had turned out for his funeral.

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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

Show The Other Suit

IT IS NEARLY always bad bridge to let your partner play for a No Trump game if you have shown him in the bidding only one of two strongly biddable five-card suits. Unless his bids have definitely shown both of the other suits soundly stopped, there is danger to his project. When he has given no such assurance, it is nearly always best to take him out with your unbid suit at the level of four, even if the suit be a minor. That gives him three options — either of your two suits or No Trumps, the latter of course at a higher level than before, but a choice he won't make unless with very good stoppers in the other two suits.

North: ♠ K Q 10 9 ♥ K J ♦ J 10 7 5 ♣ Q 8 3

West: ♠ 5 3 ♥ 9 8 6 2 ♦ 4 2 ♣ K 9 5 4 2

East: ♠ A J 8 7 2 ♥ 4 3 ♦ Q 8 ♣ A J 10 6

South: ♠ 6 4 ♥ A Q 10 7 5 ♦ A K 9 6 3 ♣ 7

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
Pass	1 ♠	Dbl	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
3 NT			

That bidding proved disastrous for North and South. East properly led the club J to the K and the return resulted in the game being defeated before North ever got the lead.

It was all South's fault. He made two mistakes during the auction. In the first place, a double with his two-suiter was extremely unsound. If he had shown one of his suits at once over East's opener, he could have shown the other on his next turn. Then, in case North preferred No Trumps after that, South could have left him alone. But North would not have bid No Trumps in that situation. He would have supported the diamonds. South should have called 2-Hearts over the 1-Spade, North would have bid 2-No Trumps and South then 3-Diamonds. North, knowing that such bidding would invite a club lead which might whip-saw his Q, should have supported the diamonds and a game would have resulted, with tricks lost only to the black aces.

Having made the mistake of doubling, South should have taken out the 3-No Trumps to 4-Diamonds, and the pair would have reached the right contract anyway. Even if North then bid it into Hearts, the game would have been secure, with a trick to spare.

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Tomorrow's Problem

North: ♠ A 8 ♥ K 6 3 ♦ K Q 7 5 2 ♣ J 9 6

West: ♠ J 10 7 6 ♥ 9 7 4 ♦ None ♣ A K 8 5 4 2

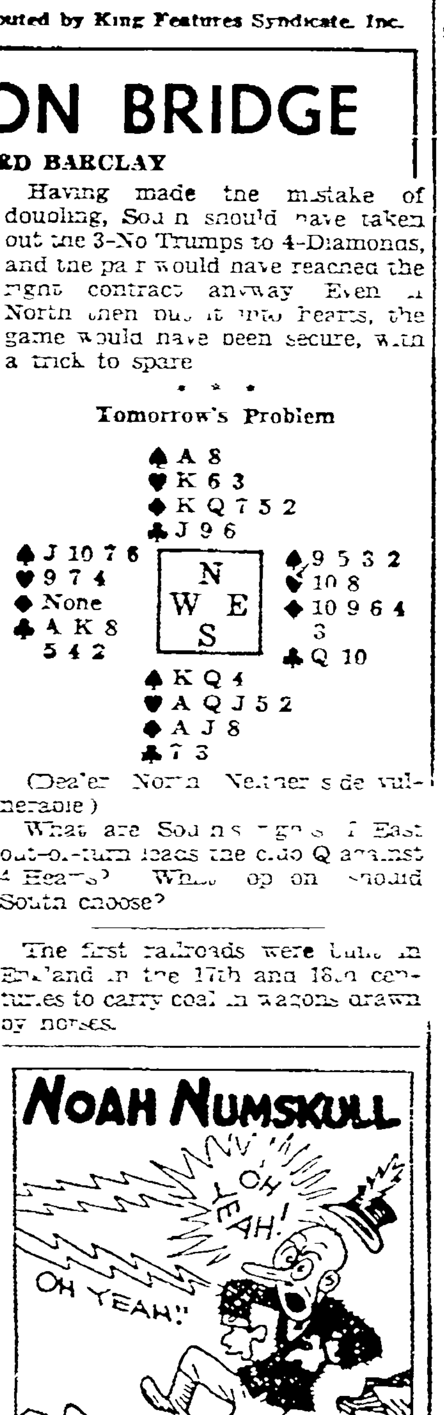
East: ♠ 9 5 3 2 ♥ 10 8 ♦ 10 9 6 4 3 ♣ Q 10

South: ♠ K Q 4 ♥ A Q J 5 2 ♦ A J 8 ♣ 7 3

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

What are South's rights if East out-of-turn leads the club Q against 4 Hearts? Which option should South choose?

The first railroads were built in England in the 17th and 18th centuries to carry coal in wagons drawn by horses.



TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Pause
5. Rodents
9 Species of pier (Arch.)
10 S-shaped molding
11 Happen
12. Sports
14. Constellation Leo
15. Prickly envelope of a fruit
16 Masurium (sym.)
17. Father of gods
18. Organ of sight
19 Travel back and forth
20. A ruler
22 Purchases
23. Question
24. Distant
25 Boy attendant in legislature
27 A fabric of jute
30 Grow old
31. Container
32 Openings (anat.)
33 Biblical city
34. Cigarette (slang)
35 Borders
36 American novelist
38 Removes the bones from
39 Sea eagle
40. Incite
41. Colors, as fabric
42. Spreads grass to dry

DOWN

1 City (Wis.)
2. Hearten
3 Stupefy
4. Black, viscous substance
5. Rascal
6 A culture medium
7. Evening sun god
8. Fit
11. A former king of Norway
13. Speaks
15. Something aside
18. Antlered animal
19. Filched
21 Employ
22 Stripe
24 Merriment
25 Man's name
26. Settled by common consent
27. Sack
28 Medieval helmets
29 Proceed
31 Boxes
34. Superior
35 Garment
37 Crooked
38. Nocturnal, mouse-like mammal

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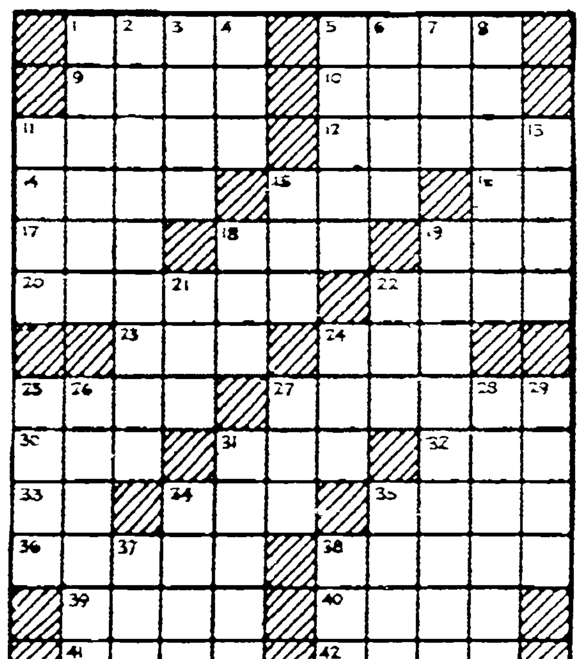
Saturday's Answer



12-20

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

J B - J Q L C I L R Q L Q J C C R B V J P U B I U J H F L Y H J D F — I J C Y F.

Saturday's Cryptoquote: IN TROUBLE TO BE TROUBLED IS TO HAVE YOUR TROUBLE DOUBLED—DEFOE.

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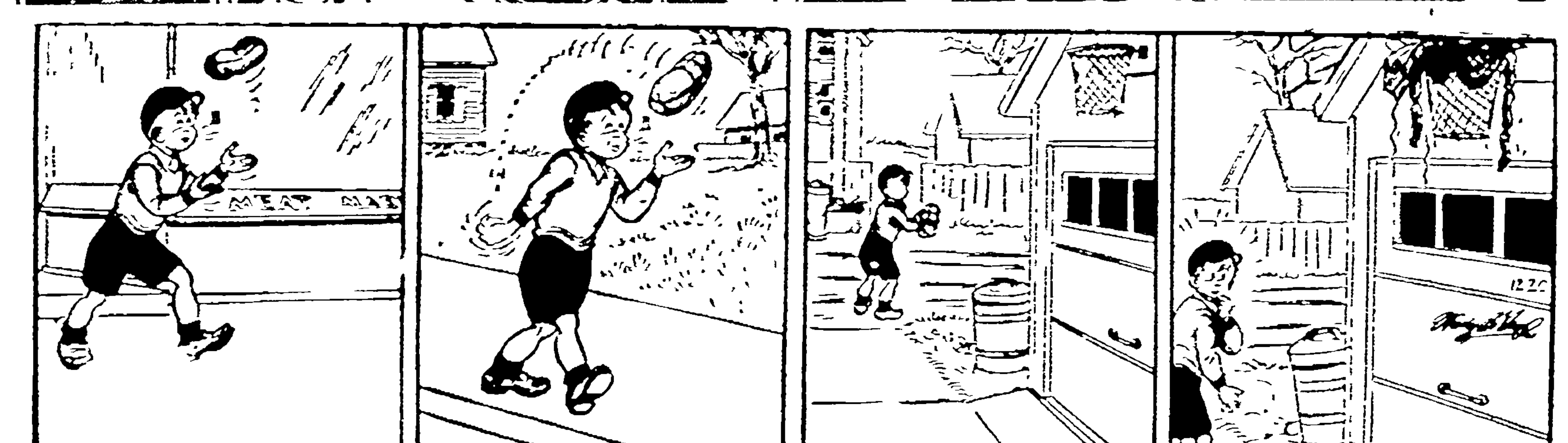

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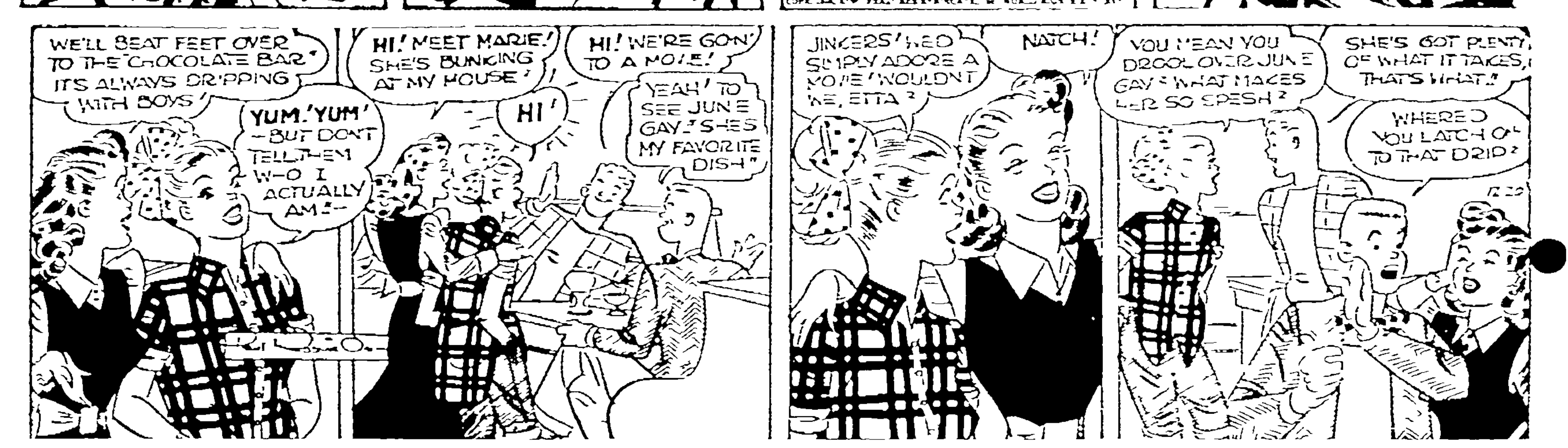

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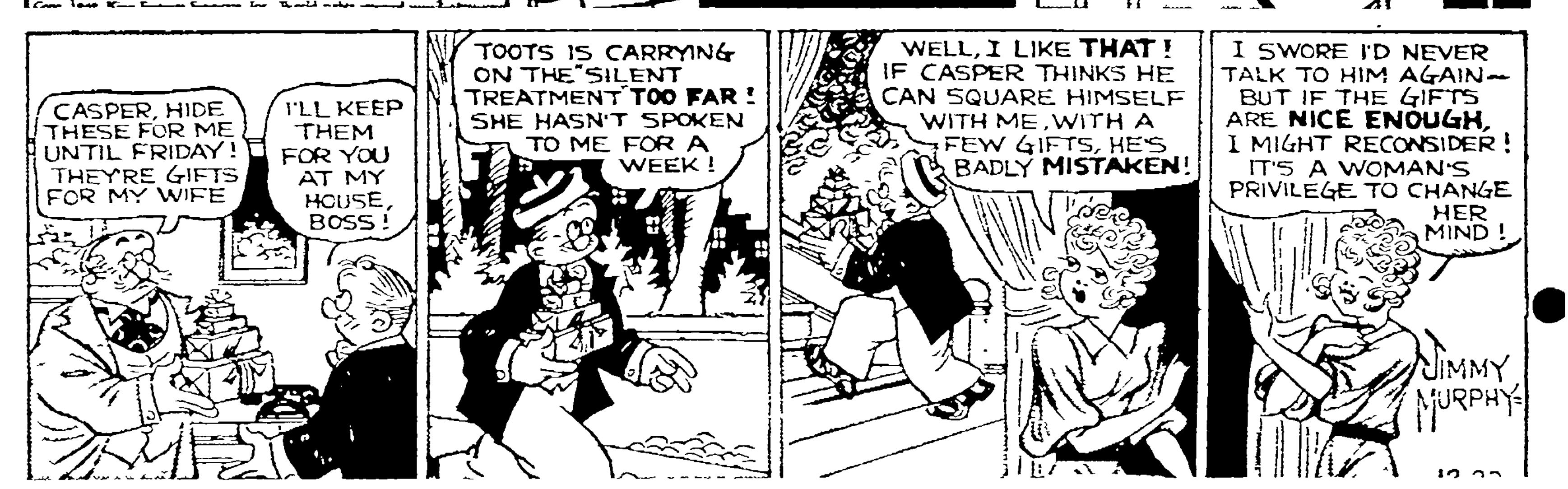

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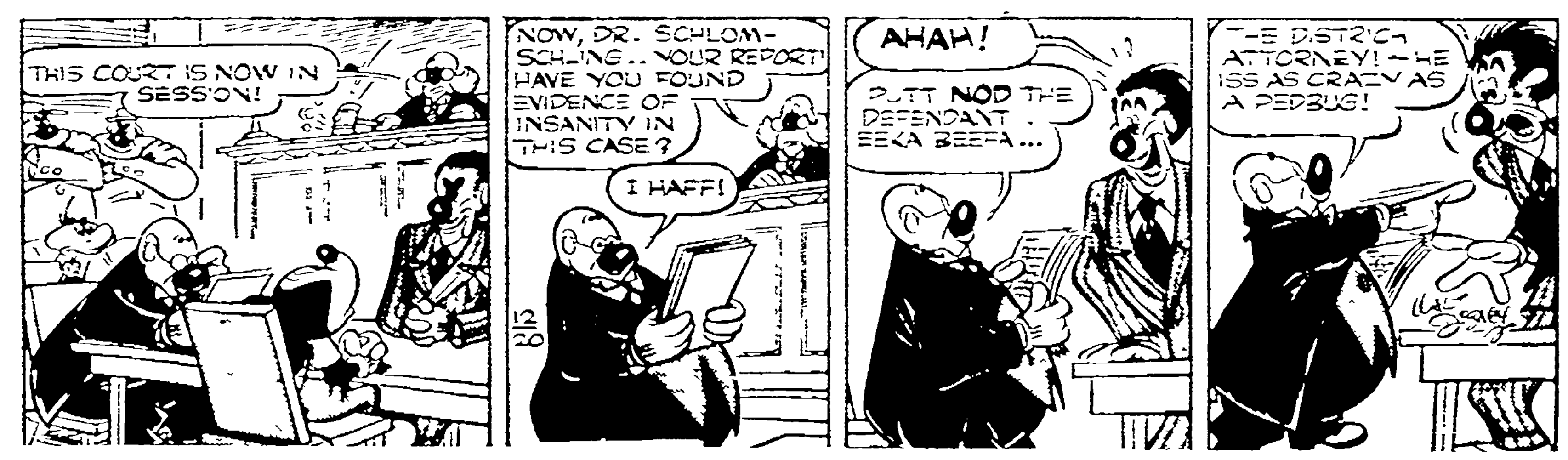

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Annual Yule Service Presented by Choirs Of St. John's Church

Several hundred persons attended the Christmas carol service rendered by the choirs of St. John's Lutheran church yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The service was preceded by a 15-minute organ recital by Emerson F. Harding, minister of music.

The departmental programs were held yesterday morning at 9 o'clock during the Sunday school session. Gifts were distributed in the Nursery, Beginners, Primary and Main departments.

The Main department program was as follows: selection, orchestra; leader, George Schwenk; hymn, "One in Royal David City"; scripture reading, George Haddad; prayer, David Steltz; hymn, "Come and Hear the Grand Old Story"; the offering; recitations—"Christmas," Linette Ott, Rochelle Rhoads, Donald Hollowbush, Daniel Johnson, Lucille Graham, Mary Ann Reinert, Craig Landis, Allen Grabert, James Kline; piano duet, Jane Mercer and Nancy Bause; pageant—"The Christmas Altar," Patricia Frey, soloist; Janet Drumheller, reader; Affilie Haddad, guardian of the altar fire; Mary Lou March, Hope; Thelma Haddad, Faith; Jacqueline Mathews, Courage; Janet Mest, Love; Patricia Jafolla, Friendship; Janis Quigley, Kindness; Gail Schauffhauser, Joy; Hymn, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"; prayer and Doxology; selection, the orchestra.

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THE ADULT BIBLE class presented the following program: Opening service; hymn, "Silent Night, Holy Night"; scripture reading, St. Luke 2.1-14; prayer, Rev. David F. Longacre; announcements, hymn, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"; organ selections, "Vox Celeste"; "Noel," Emerson F. Harding; vocal solo, "Ave Marie," Emerson F. Harding; hymn, "Away In a Manger"; "The Christmas Message," Harry I. Gilbert; trumpet trio, "Three Kings," Messrs. John R. Sullivan, Eugene Johnson, Henry Johnson; vocal duet, "The Infant Light," John Rose and Emerson F. Harding; hymn, "Joy to the World"; Lord's Prayer, Doxology and benediction

High School Notes

Ronald C. Kent, an exchange teacher from Reading, England, spoke to the student body on Friday at the weekly assembly Kent explained the English system of schooling, and gave a brief description of an English Christmas.

Kent, who spent four years in the RAF, thinks the American schools are well equipped compared to the schools of England.

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At a recent meeting of the Senior class, the motto, "Not the End but the Beginning," was selected. The class flowers are red and white roses

Boyertown Classified

Deaths 1

STOFFLET—In Hoffmansville, on Sunday, Dec. 19, William N., husband of Mabel F. (Hoffman) Stoffiet, aged 42. Relatives and friends are invited to services from the Schwenk funeral home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Further services in Christ Lutheran church, Niantic. Interment in Niantic cemetery. Friends may call Wednesday evening between 7 and 9 p. m. (Schwenk)

HANLEY—In Gilbertsville, on Friday, Dec. 17, Norman, husband of Cora (Stengel) Hanley, aged 68. Relatives and friends are invited to services from Schwenk's Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Tuesday at 2 p. m. Interment Union cemetery, Boyertown. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

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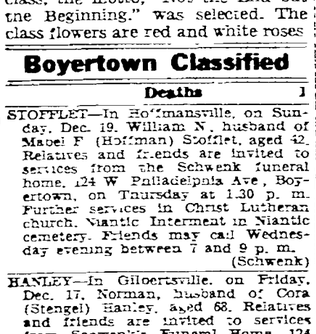
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MEETINGS

Gilbertsville Boy Scouts Troop 1 at 7 p. m. in the Sunday school.

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Rotary club at 6:30 p. m. in the Boyer Towne inn.

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Camp 104, POS of A at 7:30 p. m. in the Keystone Fire company.

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Drum and Bugle corps of Charles B. Yerger Post 471, American Legion, at 7:30 p. m. in the Legion home.

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Boyertown Boy Scouts Troop 3 at 7 p. m. in the Reformed church.

Legionnaires to Hold Yule Party Tomorrow

At a recent meeting of the Charles B. Yerger Post 471, American Legion, plans were completed for the Children's Christmas party for tomorrow night at 6:30 o'clock. The Legion will have the co-operation of the Legion auxiliary to make this party a success.

The children will have an entertainment and lunch in the Rainbow room of the Keystone Fire house where Santa Claus will greet them and escort them across the street to the Legion home where gifts will be distributed.

Secretary of Reading 'Y' Speaks at Lions Meeting

Merrill J. Durdan, executive boys secretary of the Reading YMCA and director of Camp Conrad Weiser, was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Lions club on Thursday night at the Boyer Towne inn. He used as his topic, "Making Men Out of Boys is Our Business."

The annual kiddies Christmas party will be held on Thursday night at 7 o'clock at the Boyer Towne inn. Louis J. Lignelli, chairman of the Boys and Girls committee is in charge of the party. Movies and other entertainment, gifts and refreshments are some of the highlights planned for the party

Harry Gilbert was the program chairman of the meeting President, Russell Schaeffer, presided.

BABY BORN TO MESTS

A daughter was born to Mr and Mrs. Kenneth Mest, Boyertown, RD 1, on Saturday night in Reading hospital. Mrs. Mest was the former Naomi Becntel.

PHEASANT FEED AVAILABLE

Committeemen and members of the Boyertown Rod and Gun club who want to feed the birds can get corn for them at the home of Arthur Schwenk, New Berlinville, where the pheasants are being raised, it was announced yesterday.

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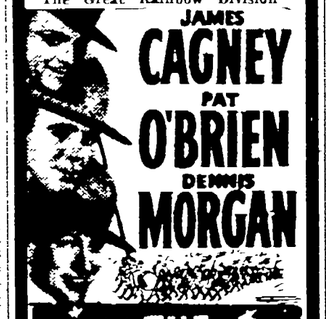
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Local Rotarians to Hold Annual Yule Fete Tonight

The Rotary club will hold its annual Christmas party for the Rotaryanns and their children tonight at 6:30 o'clock in the Boyer Towne inn. Raymond Groff and his committee will take charge of the entertainment.

Roy Hafer was inducted into the Rotary club at the last meeting by Daniel B. Boyer Sr.

SUMNEYTOWN

Cedric Downing, delivery.

Mrs. Robert Leister entertained the following guests recently at a miscellaneous shower in her home in honor of her niece, Beatrice M. Leister, who will become the bride of Mr. George J. Deily in St. John's Lutheran church on Sunday, Dec. 26, at 5 p. m.: Mrs. Frank Leister and daughter, Violet; Mrs. Sallie Stauffer, Mrs. Robert Walker, Mrs George Walker, Mrs. Frank Frederick, the Misses Mary and Katie Dauman, Mrs. Horace Hilbourn, Mrs. Adolph Loeffler, Mrs. William Pillman, Mrs. Mary Leister, Mrs. Norman Leister, Patricia and Sharon Leister, Nettie Walker, Mrs. Arthur Trumbore, all of Sumneytown; Mrs. Raymond Walker, Claire Walker, of Pottstown; Mrs. Howard Freed, Esther Freed, of East Greenville; Mrs. John Heffendrager, Mrs. Raymond Brunner, of Sellersville, and the guest of honor, Miss Beatrice Leister. Miss Leister received many beautiful and useful gifts. Refreshments were served.

The Young Peoples RWA society of St. John's Lutheran church enjoyed a hay ride recently. Richard Stubanus was the driver. Refreshments were served in the church basement.

The following officers were reelected at the recent meeting of the Women of the Church of St. John's Lutheran church: Mrs. Wayne Bardman, president; Mrs. Forrest Long, vice president; Mrs. Charles F. Fries, secretary; Mrs. Irvin G. Rahn, local society treasurer; Mrs John Hildenbrand, missionary treasurer; Mrs. Jacob Godshall, magazine secretary; Katie Dauman and Mrs. William Shipe, dues collectors. Both Mrs. Rahn and Mrs. Hildenbrand gave a report on the year's finances.

St. John's Lutheran chapel choir at Sumneytown participated in a vesper service in the Heidelberg Reformed church at Schwenkville recently. The choir sang two anthems. "No Candle Was There and No Fire" and "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." Helene Ann Nestler sang "Gesu Bambino" by Yon. Fifteen private cars transported the children to Schwenkville. The following children took part in the service: Charles, Ralph, Grover and Dick Hartzell, William Myers, Larry and Loretta Walker, Patricia Hafler, Bonnie and Patsy Baxter, Tyrone Galbraith, Barry Dunn, Donald Wardle, Dick Snipe, Claire Reihman, Barbara Shallcross, Tyronne Breuninger, Billy Moyer, Joan Miller, Timmy Weldner, Clarence and Clifford Heitz, Lester Sturges, Judy and Muriel Shipe, Jean and Mark Woodward, Ronald Wood, Nancy Reed, Anita Walker, Marjorie Shupe, David Gilbert, Phyllis Knisley, Diana Hess, Charles Hunsberger, Sandra Long, Douglas and Delores Lane, Sara and Mae Godshall, Helene Ann Nestler, Kenneth Souder, Dennis Walter, Helen Downing, Wilma White, Harold Geiger, Ada Carol and Kenneth Jackson, Mary Annetta Reiman, John Smith, Arlene and Doris Zepp.

Transportation was furnished by Clinton Hartzell, Lillian Myers, Louise Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Breuninger, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sturges, Mrs. Lewis Shipe Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood, Sadie Walker, Mrs. Reed and son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Nestler, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gilbert, Mrs. Keelor, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Hannah Reiman, Mrs. Howard Smith, the Rev. and Mrs E. L. Angstadt, pastor of the Sumneytown Lutheran parish, and Stella K. Sowers, organist.

Mrs. Robert Kingsbauch, Mrs. Ella Zanzinger, Mrs. Bertha Aspero, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Aspero, Frank Bloomer, Mrs. J. Palmer, of Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Iredell Nace, of Atlantic City; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Skillman, Mrs. Anna Wendell, of North Wales, and Mrs. Betty Fisher, of Telford, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Nace and family. Mrs. Amanda Nace is very ill.

Mr and Mrs E. B. Benner and family entertained the following dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Smith, of East Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Strunk and son, Daniel, of Hereford, and William Westley, of East Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kramlik and daughters attended a birthday dinner in honor of Robert Kramlik at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Funk, of Souderton.

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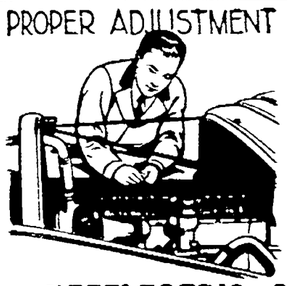
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President Awards Trophy to Supersonic Trio

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Girl, 5, Burned While Cooking' Dies in Hospital

JOHNSTOWN, Dec. 19 (AP)—Five-year-old Mary Frances Casey whose clothing caught fire yesterday as she bent over a stove to put macaroni into a pot, died early today in Johnstown Memorial hospital.

The little girl was helping her grandmother prepare the noonday meal when the tragedy occurred. She had climbed into a chair to reach the stove

Her grandmother rolled her in rugs to beat out the flames. The child died of three degree burns, Coroner Joseph Govekar reported.

Money Counter Invented To Beat Japan's Inflation

TOKYO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Two Japanese inventors said today they had completed a gadget to make life more bearable in these inflationary times.

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18 Planes and Hangar Are Destroyed by Fire

FORT MORGAN, Colo., Dec. 19 (AP)—Fire destroyed 18 planes and the hangar at the municipal airport here last night causing damage estimated at $75,000.

Fire Chief Willard Pischel said the hangar was valued at $25,000 and the rest of the loss was in aircraft. He said the blaze apparently began around 10:30 and "it didn't miss a single plane in the hangar."

Cause of the fire was undetermined late today.

Pischel said about nine of the planes in the hangar were insured and the building was insured for only $10,000.

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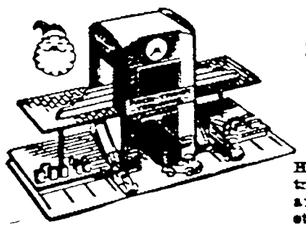
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Eagles Edge Cards, 7-0, for NFL Crown

28,864 Fans Watch Van Buren Run Wild Despite Snow Storm

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (AP) — The Philadelphia Eagles performed like a set of animated snow plows today to whip the Chicago Cardinals, 7 to 0, in the National Football league's "world's championship" playoff game in a driving snowstorm.

Playing under miserable weather conditions on a field that was inches deep in snow before the finish, the Eagles found their footing in the final quarter to push over the only touchdown of the game.

Big Steve Van Buren, who learned his football under Sunny Louisiana skies, made that one score on a five yard smash through tackle just as the final quarter started and Cliff Patton converted to complete the scoring job.

But the Eagles had the better of the strenuous tussle all the way and earned their victory through hard, bruising line play and brilliant running by Van Buren, Bosh Pritchard and Tommy Thompson. They were only two yards away from another score when the game ended.

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THE WEATHER, surprisingly, did not keep the fans away. Virtually all of the 37,000 seats in Shibe Park were sold in advance and 28,864 diehard fans actually turned up and sat through the proceedings. They did it the hard way, too, for the wet snow disrupted some surface transportation, forcing many of them to walk long distances to reach the park, where several thousands sat in uncovered stands.

The Eagles' victory brought the National league title to an Eastern division team for the first time since 1942, when the Washington Redskins turned back the Chicago Bears. It also was the first league championship for the Eagles, who lost to the Cardinals, 28-21, in the past year's playoff at Chicago.

Their predecessors, the Frankford Yellow Jackets—a Philadelphia club— won the championship in 1926 before the playoffs were instituted.

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THE RESULT was something in the nature of an upset, as the defending champions had been installed as 3½ point favorites and they still were given a one-point edge in the betting this morning when the weather made it obvious that the breaks would decide the contest.

And that's exactly what happened. Time after time Philadelphia got the breaks, recovering fumbles and intercepting passes. It was a fumble just before the end of the fourth quarter that set up the lone touchdown.

The Cards, shoved back into their own territory by Joe Muha's booming punts when the Eagles had the advantage of the wind, had just taken the ball on the 19-yard line. Quarterback Ray Mallouf got into a mixup and there was a fumble on the first play. Frank Kilroy, veteran Philadelphia guard, fell on the ball on the 17. Coach Jimmy Conzelman later explained, "It was nobody's fault, just a mixup on the handoff."

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PRITCHARD slashed through to the eleven as the quarter ended and on the first two plays of the last period Muhr and Thompson picked up six yards more. Then Van Buren, who was virtually unstoppable in spite of the soft, slippery footing, took a hand-off from Thompson, went through a big hole between guard and tackle and raced over the goal line.

The Eagles dropped to their knees and scraped the snow away from a patch of dirt for the conversion attempt and Patton booted the ball truly between the uprights.

Earlier in the game Patton had missed two field goals attempts—one from 12 yards out and one from 39 yards. Later he tried a 30-yard placement which also failed.

Besides getting the breaks, the Eagles earned their victory fairly, as the statistics show. They made 17 first downs to Chicago's seven, gained 225 yards by rushing and seven more on two completed passes. The Cardinals gained only 96 yards on the ground and completed three passes for 35 yards.

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THESE FIGURES were very respectable considering the weather condition. The field was covered by about four inches of heavy snow when attendants started to remove the tarpaulins and the start of the game was delayed a half hour before the canvas could be taken off.

Van Buren, who had consistent bad luck in previous meetings with the Cardinals—Chicago had beaten the Eagles five times in a row—was Philadelphia's best ground-gainer. Running wide off tackle and around the ends, he gained 98 yards on 26 tries. The elusive Pritchard gained 67 yards on 16 carries and Thompson, known principally as a passer, picked up fifty yards on 11 tries, mostly quarterback sneaks.

In addition to their one touchdown, the Eagles had three near misses. On the Eagles' first offensive play of the game, Thompson pitched a tremendous pass to Jack Ferrante, who slipped, skidded then ran across the goal line. The play covered 67 yards but it didn't mean a thing. A Philadelphia player was offside and the ball was called back and a five-yard penalty was assessed.

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AFTER A TREMENDOUS 59-yard punt by Muha in the second period had put Chicago in the hole, the Eagles got within touchdown range when Patton recovered a fumble by Angsman on the 21-yard stripe. Two passes by Thompson fell incomplete and a third was intercepted by John Cochran.

A few minutes later Philadelphia worked up to the seven-yard line to pave the way for Patton's first unsuccessful field goal try. In the closing minutes of the game Ernie Steele intercepted a pass by the Cards' Charles Eikenberg on the 42-yard line. The Eagles drove 40 yards to the two before the final gun sounded.

The Cardinals' only real scoring threat came in the first quarter when Pat Harder missed a field goal attempt from 36 yards. A couple of good runs by Elmer Angsman brought the ball within range, but the Cards couldn't get past the 30-yard mark. Thereafter they never got inside Philadelphia's 40-yard line and seldom passed midfield.

Lineups:

Pos.	Chicago	Philadelphia
LE	Cochran	Greene
LT	Timmy	MacDowell
LG	Ramsey	Maronic
C	Banonis	Lindskog
RG	Audros	Kilroy
RT	Bunger	Wistert
RE	Clatt	Armstrong
QB	Davis	Thompson
LHB	Trippi	Steele
RHB	Angsman	Craft
FB	Harder	Muha

Score by periods:

Chicago	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	7	7

PHILADELPHIA scoring: touchdown—Van Buren. Point after touchdown—Patton (placement).

Substitutions: CHICAGO — Kutner, Ravensberg, Coomer, Colhouser, Nichols, Blackburn, Apolskis, Szot, Loepfe, Dewell, Goldman, DiMancheff, Schwall, Eikenberg, Goldberg, Yablonski. PHILADELPHIA — Ferrante, Humbert, Sears, Douglas, Patton, Giannelli, Wojciechowicz, Barnes, MacGee, Savitsky, Pihos, Van Buren, Pritchard, Myers.

City League Teams Resume Action Tonight

The Erntex Knitters will go after their fourth straight victory in the No. 1 division of the City Basketball league tonight when they take on Maria Assunta AC in the second game of a doubleheader in the Pottstown Junior High gymnasium.

In the first game, URW and the Shamrocks will battle it out for possession of first place in the No. 2 division. Each team has won three consecutive games.

The opener of tonight's doubleheader will get underway at 7 o'clock. The nightcap will start at 8:30 o'clock.

Ruins Cardinals

STEVE VAN BUREN

Reinhart Leads Erntex Quintet To 60-52 Win

The Erntex Knitters extended their winning streak to seven games Saturday night with a 60-52 conquest of Clover Park AA in the nightcap of an independent basketball doubleheader at Shillington.

In the opener, Maria Assunta's cagers dropped a 65-40 decision to the Shillington Red Sox.

The nightcap of the twin-bill was a defensive game for three periods, with Erntex holding a 10-point lead after three quarters. The fourth stanza turned out to be a scoring battle with Clover Park scoring 28 points and Erntex hitting the cords for 26 digits.

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CLOVER PARK trailed Erntex by only one point after the first period, but the Pottstonians pulled away to a commanding 22-14 lead at halftime and never were headed.

Claude Reinhart set a torrid pace for the Knitters, tabbing seven field goals and five fouls for a 19-point total. Bobby Miller of Clover Park scored 11 points.

Maria Assunta held Shillington to a five-point lead in th first half of the opener, but Cookie Wagner and Harry Stehman started hitting for field goals early in the second half to boost the lead. The hosts completed the rout with a 24-point rally in the fourth quarter.

Wagner finished with 16 points and Stehman scored 14. Billy Missimer was high for Maria Assunta with nine markers. Bull Maloney had eight points.

Erntex	G.	F.	P.	Clover Park	G.	F.	P.
Kovach, f	1	0	2	Krause, f	2	0	6
Strom, f	4	0	8	B. Miller, f	5	1	11
Henry, f	3	3	9	Carley, f	4	1	9
Trollinger, c	3	3	9	Ney, c	4	0	8
Breidenb'h,g	1	4	6	Wisner, c	2	1	5
Reinhart, g	7	5	19	Lawrence, g	2	5	9
Bender, g	3	1	7	Schaeffer, g	1	0	2
				D. Miller, g	1	0	2
Totals	22	16	60	Totals	22	8	52

Score by periods:

Erntex	9	13	12	26—60
Clover Park	8	6	10	28—52

Maria Assunta	G.	F.	P.	Shillington	G.	F.	P.
Kovach, f	2	0	4	Berger, f	3	2	8
Koval, f	1	0	2	Stehman, f	6	2	14
Missimer, f	3	3	9	Wagner, f	7	2	16
Tetlak, f	1	2	4	Foust, f	2	0	4
Umstead, c	2	1	5	Newkirk, c	1	2	4
Maloney, g	3	2	8	Schaeffer, c	3	1	7
Katch, g	0	0	0	Lute, g	1	2	4
Fisher, g	1	0	2	Kohl, g	3	2	8
Monaghan, g	3	0	6	Artz, g	0	0	0
Totals	16	8	40	Totals	26	13	65

Score by periods:

Maria Assunta	16	15	10	9—40
Shillington	10	16	15	24—65

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Officials of Pro Loops Arrange Meeting, May End Grid War Today

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (AP)—Commissioner Bert Bell of the National Football league announced tonight that he and an NFL owner's committee will meet tomorrow with All-America conference officials to discuss the professional football situation.

Bell's formal announcement given out after a closed meeting of NFL owners in their hotel headquarters here, said:

"A committee from the All-America conference is coming to Philadelphia tomorrow to meet with the commissioner and representatives of the National Football league.

"The NFL draft meeting scheduled to start at 10:30 a. m. (Pottstown time) tomorrow, has been postponed until afternoon, evening or possibly Tuesday."

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THE OWNERS still were closeted in a locked room and immediate reaction and comment was not available.

Bell, whose attitude for the past three years has been to completely ignore the existence of the AAC, made his announcement after being informed the All-America group was leaving tonight for snow-bound Philadelphia and peace talks.

The All-America delegation left Cleveland at 8:05 p. m. by the Pennsylvania railroad, and was due to arrive in Philadelphia at 5:59 a. m.

Later, Tim Mara of the NFL New York Giants, came out of the meeting and commented on the latest developments.

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IN A KIDDING vein, Mara exclaimed, "This is the first time I have ever heard of an admiral looking for peace."

Then reverting back to the more serious side of the situation, Mara said "I will have to wait and see what the other league has to offer before I can really comment on the matter.

"After all, since they are coming here I assume they do have something to offer."

Balked in efforts to fly here by the driving snow storm that forced cancellation of all flights from Cleveland to Philadelphia, the AAC owners disclosed in Cleveland they were traveling by train.

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JONAS INGRAM, AAC commissioner, announced that his loop's committee was composed of Ben F. Lindheimer of the Los Angeles Dons; Dan Topping of the New York Yankees; Arthur (Mickey) McBride of the Cleveland Browns; James Breuil of the Buffalo Bills and Tony Morabito of the San Francisco 49ers.

The first definite step in 48 hours of rumors that the two leagues were going to bury the hatchet came from Cleveland when Ingram disclosed his league had postponed its draft meeting until Tuesday and would confer with the NFL.

The meeting of the two leagues had been indicated earlier in the week by remarks made by Alexis Thompson, owner of the NFL champion Philadelphia Eagles, and George Halas, coach and owner of the National league Chicago Bears. Both Thompson and Halas called for a "sensible solution" to the pro football war.

All of the league owners were polled last night by the Associated Press on their feelings about a solution to the football cold war that has skyrocketed player salaries and other expenses and driven several franchises in both leagues into the red. While none would come right out and call for a conference of the two groups, enough hedged to make peace talks appear inevitable.

Margaret DuPont Rated Tops in Tennis

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP) — On the strength of her victory over Louise Brough in the marathon final of the National championships, Mrs. Margaret Osborne DuPont, of Wilmington, Del., has been ranked as the top feminine tennis player in the nation.

It was the first time Mrs. DuPont ever gained the coveted No. 1 ranking. She replaced Miss Brough, her close friend and longtime doubles partner, in the top spot. The hard-hitting blonde from Beverly Hills, Calif., moved down to second.

Between the two, DuPont and Brough just about cleaned up the major titles. There was no doubt they would finish 1-2 but just who would finish first was the poser.

Doris Hart of Miami, Fla., retained her third position but in a major shuffle, two comers from Santa Monica, Calif., moved into the topflight. Pretty Gertrude (Gussie) Moran was moved up from ninth to fourth and Beverly Baker, 11th the past year, vaulted into fifth place.

Mrs. Patricia Canning Todd of LaJolla, Calif., dropped from fourth to sixth and the rest of the big ten included Shirley Fry, Akron, Ohio, seventh; Mrs. Helen Pastall Perez, Los Angeles, eighth; Mrs. Virginia Wolfenden Kovacs, San Francisco, ninth, and Mrs. Helen Pedersen Pilhbany, Boston, tenth.

McCoy Pins Dusek In Reading Match

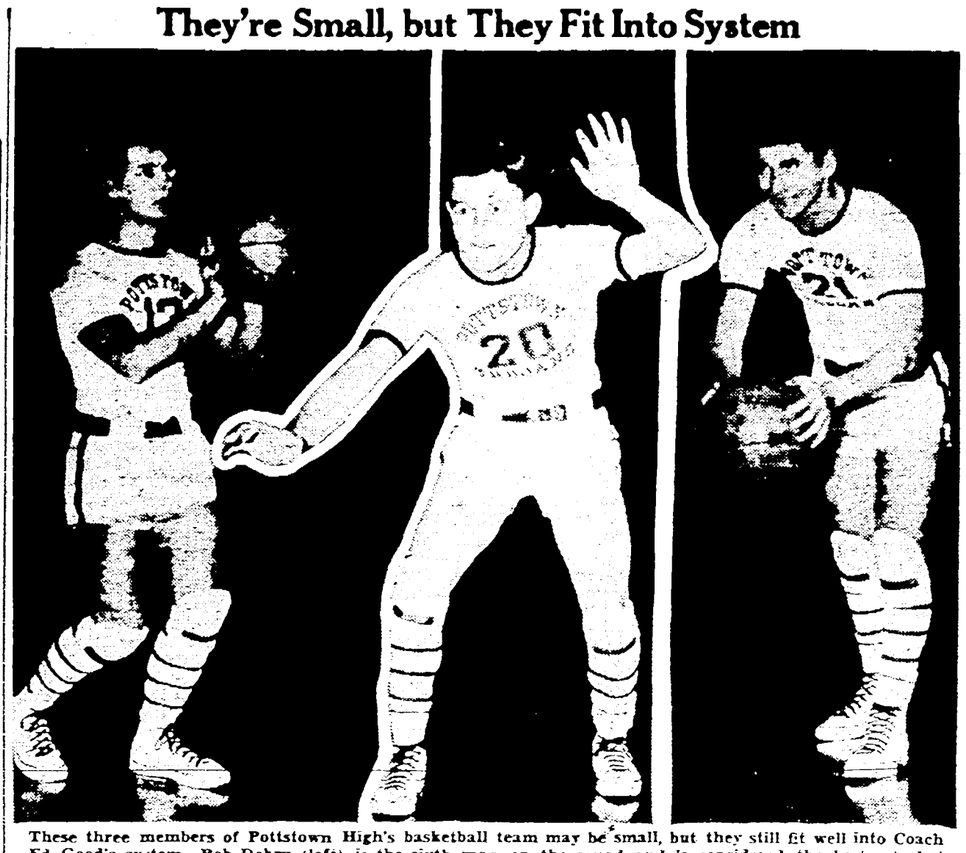
READING, Dec. 19—In a match that saw the two wrestlers battling inside and outside of the ring, Bibber McCoy, the Boston strongman, pinned Wally Dusek, of the famous Dusek wrestling clan, before a large crowd Saturday night in the Reading Armory.

The end of the feature event on the weekly wrestling program came after 20 minutes, 48 seconds of action.

McCoy and Dusek treated the crowd to a real battle which was marked by rough and unorthodox tactics. On numerous occasions, the two battlers were outside the ropes.

In the opening bout, Rene Florent, newcomer from France, won over Joe Kamaroff, New Haven, Conn., as the latter was disqualified for illegal holds. The time was 19 minutes, 17 seconds.

They're Small, but They Fit Into System



These three members of Pottstown High's basketball team may be small, but they still fit well into Coach Ed Good's system. Bob Dobry (left) is the sixth man on the squad and is considered the best set shot on the team. George "Pud" Rath (center) is the defensive star but went on a scoring spree and tabbed 12 points against Lancaster Friday. Bobby Mauger (right) directed the Trojan football team the past season from his quarterback position and now is the floor general of the basketball team. Mauger sets up most of the Trojan plays and gives many assists for points. The Trojans face Easton High here tomorrow.

Villanova, LaSalle Continue Unbeaten in State Cage Picture

By The Associated Press

Villanova and LaSalle continued their unbeaten way in Pennsylvania's collegiate basketball wars.

The Wildcats won victory No. 5 Saturday night with a 67-45 trouncing of Lehigh while LaSalle had no trouble defeating Albright 58-45.

Villanova grabbed the lead at 13-12 and never was headed in handing the second defeat in four starts on the Lehigh five. Paul Crozin paced the winners with 22 points.

LaSalle racked up its sixth straight win with Bob Foust, the winner's giant six-foot-nine center snaring 12 points.

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TEMPLE and St. Joseph's tumbled to defeat in the weekly Convention Hall doubleheader at Philadelphia.

Bradley university gave the Owls their second straight defeat, winning out 59-50 as a Temple rally failed in the closing minutes.

St. Joseph's, victorious in six straight games, lost its first—a breathtaker—55-54 to the University of Texas. The Hawks had a 13-point advantage and seemed assured of victory when the speedy Texans' got the range and swished the ball through the hoop with monotonous consistency.

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ILLINOIS handed the University of Pennsylvania a 80-61 lacing, second for the Quakers in four starts. The Illini have won four and lost one.

Penn State won its first basketball game in four starts, humbling previously-unbeaten Washington and Jefferson 40-38. The Presidents had won three straight.

Christmas Vacation Is Here, But Not for Trojan Cagers

Christmas vacation starts for many high school students in the Pottstown area this week, but not for Pottstown High's basketball team.

While many high school cage teams will be playing their last athletic contest of the year tomorrow night, Pottstown's Trojans will go right on playing until the last week of the month.

The Trojans are scheduled to play host to Easton High tomorrow night in another exhibition game at the Pottstown Junior High gymnasium. Thursday night the localites travel for a game at Lebanon, and next week Coach Ed Good's proteges take on the Alumni in the ABC's annual benefit game.

Although only three games are scheduled during the Christmas vacation, the Trojans will be busy. Good said last night that the boys will have practice almost every day during the holiday vacation.

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"WE'LL HAVE practice today, play Easton tomorrow, practice Wednesday and then go to Lebanon for a game Thursday. Then we'll have a day off Friday." said Good as he looked over his schedule.

After Christmas, the Trojans are in for more work. The local basketeers will hold workouts next Monday and Tuesday and then will meet the Alumni next Wednesday night in the annual ABC game. Thursday and Friday will be open and the Trojans won't meet again until they return to school Jan. 4.

After watching the Trojans blow a 16-point halftime lead at Lancaster Friday night, Good said he will stress shooting practice today, adding:

"The kids need more practice on their shots. They missed too many in the second half at Lancaster and that's what lost the game. We did all right in the first half, but that second half was awful."

Reports reveal that the Trojans made only two of 27 shots attempted in the second half of the game at Lancaster Friday. In the first half, the Pottstown lads took 30 shots and sank ten.

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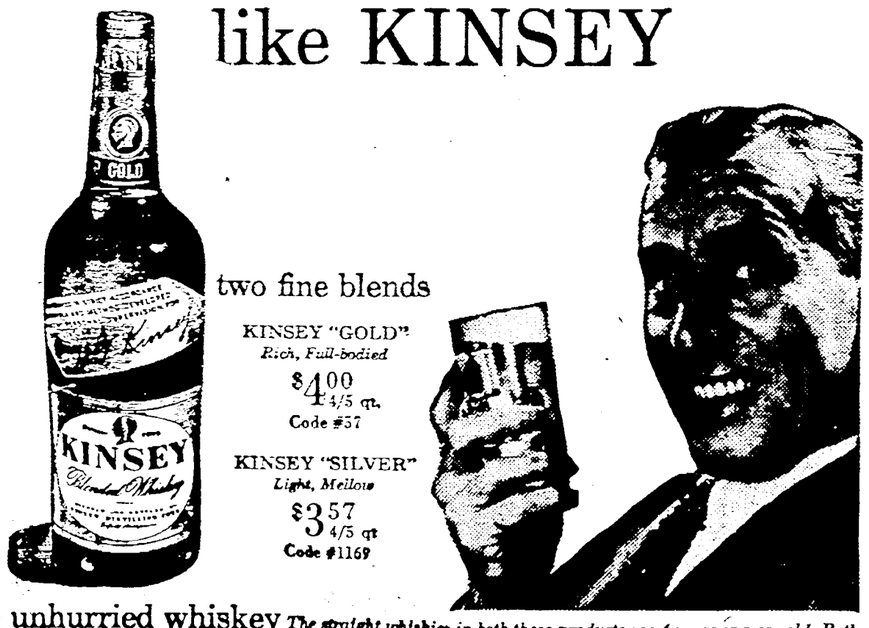

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Eagles Owner Happy In Hospital Bed

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP)—"It was just about the nicest hospital present Lex could have." That's the way Mrs Alexis Thompson described today's victory by the Philadelphia Eagles in the National Football league play-offs.

Thompson, who owns the Eagles, is in a New York hospital. He underwent an operation this week for appendicitis.

"He isn't well enough yet to have visitors or receive calls," Mrs. Thompson reported, "but he certainly is happy about the game. He listened to all of it on the radio."

What about reports the young owner would sell his franchise?

"I don't know a thing about that," Mrs Thompson said. "But Lex will probably have something to say in three of four days when he's feeling better."

Schwenkville Added To Pirates Schedule

Spring City High officials announced Saturday that the Spring City basketball team will play Schwenkville High tomorrow night at home.

Two games have been scheduled, with the junior varsity tussle opening festivities at 7.15 o'clock.

Berwyn High was originally booked to play Spring City tomorrow, but the game was moved up to the past Thursday night and then cancelled because Berwyn couldn't make the trip due to weather conditions.

This left Spring City with an open date, and principal Charles Wise immediately contacted Schwenkville and arranged for the doubleheader

Pottstown High's "B" team and junior varsity filled in for Berwyn Thursday. The Pirates defeated the Trojan "B" team for their first victory.

Browns Retain Title, Whip Buffalo, 49-7

CLEVELAND, Dec. 19 (AP)—Fullback Marion Motley scored three touchdowns today to lead the Cleveland Browns to a 49-7 victory over the Buffalo Bills and give the Browns their third straight All-America Football conference championship.

The unbeaten Browns made a route of the championship play-off game in the snow-decked Lakeside stadium. Only 22,981 fans, the smallest crowd of the season, watched in the 33-degree temperature.

Snow fell most of the morning then subsided at noon. It began again late in the second quarter and continued intermittently throughout the remainder of the game.

But it didn't bother the Browns. They triumphed with ease to become the first pro team ever to play an entire season without defeat.

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IT WAS THE fourth straight year that a Cleveland eleven had competed in a football title playoff game, all resulting in victories. In 1945 the Cleveland Rams, now the Los Angeles Rams of the National league, defeated Washington.

During most of the past three seasons, in which Coach Paul Brown's clubs have won 41, lost three and tied one, the attack has been spearheaded by Otto Graham, the curly-haired magician of the T-formation.

He did his usual good job again against the Bills but it was Motley who made the title game a rout.

The 238-pound fullback romped 29 yards for the first of his three touchdowns. It came late in the third period. He ankled 31 yards for the next one but had to go only five yards for his final which he set up with a 24-yard drive to the Bills' 10-yard line.

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THE BROWNS had built up a 14 to 0 advantage at the half, while the Bills had manufactured only four first downs George Ratterman, Bills' passing star, was held to a total yardage of minus one in the first half.

The Browns scored in the first when Tommy James intercepted a Ratterman pass on the midfield stripe and lugged it back 30 yards. Seven plays later Edgar Jones went over from the three. Lou Groza followed with the first of his seven conversions.

The count moved to 14 to 0 when George Young scooped up Rex Bumgardner's fumble and ran 18.

Jones also got the first Brown score after the rest. James again intercepting a Ratterman pass to get the Cleveland team in action. James grabbed the ball on the Bills' 23 and carried it to the 21. Two plays took it to the nine and then Graham flipped to Jones for the tally.

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THE LAST BROWN marker came in the waning seconds after Motley's three in a row, when spectators already lined the playing field and pelted snowballs at the players. Center Lou Saban intercepted Jim Still's pass on the Bill 39 and hurried for home.

During the second canto Buffalo drove to the Browns' six before being halted.

Lineups:

Pos.	Cleveland	Buffalo
LE	Speedie	Baldwin
LT	Groza	Armstrong
LG	Ulinski	Lamar
C	Gatski	Statuto
RG	Guadio	Pirro
RT	Rymkus	Kerns
RE	Lavelli	O'Connor
QB	Graham	Ratterman
LHB	Jones	Mutryn
RHB	D. Jones	Bumgardner
FB	Motley	Tomasetti

Score by periods:

Cleveland	7	7	14	21	—49
Buffalo	0	0	7	0	— 7

CLEVELAND scoring: E Jones 2, Young, Motley 3, Saban Points after touchdowns—Groza 7 (placements).

BUFFALO scoring touchdown—Baldwin Point after touchdown—Armstrong (placement).

Substitutions: CLEVELAND. Young, Gillom, Adams, Pucci, Humble Agase, Saban, Maceau, Willis, Houston, Grigg, Simonetti Yonakor, Kosikowski, Lewis, Terlep, Colella, Boedeker, Sensenbarger, James, Cowan, Parseghian, Adamle, Cline BUFFALO. Mazza, Balatti, Kissell, King, Scott, Hirsch, Pewitt, Baldwin, Whonic, Carpenter, Whalen.

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3 Touchdowns

MARION MOTLEY

Jim Russell Out Of Hospital, Signs With Boston Nine

BOSTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Outfielder Jim Russell, who was confined to a Pittsburgh hospital for 77 days with a rare illness, says he is now in perfect health and "confident I will be able to play my best next season."

Russell came here yesterday and signed his 1949 contract for the Boston Braves.

The outfielder, who was stricken ill in mid-season with sub-acute bacterial endo-carditis, assured General Manager John Quinn he is eager to give Pistol Pete Reiser, the Braves' latest acquisition, some tough competition for the center field berth.

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HOWEVER, Russell added: "I'm not going to jeopardize my health in any way."

After tendering Russell a contract which the player described as "satisfactory" Quinn announced the Braves had acquired Reiser by assigning outfielder Nanny Fernandez's contract to the St. Paul American association club.

HOCKEY RESULTS

SATURDAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal 5 Detroit 3.
New York 3, Toronto 3 (tie)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland 10, Providence 6.
Hershey 6, Philadelphia 3.
Pittsburgh 4, New Haven 3.
Springfield 5, St Louis 4.

SUNDAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Detroit 5, Toronto 1
New York 3, Montreal 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia 5, New Haven 4.
Rhode Island 5 St Louis 3.
Cleveland 3, Buffalo 1
Indianapolis 6, Washington 2.

Basketball Scores

SATURDAY

COLLEGIATE

EAST

Columbia 53, Iowa State 45
CCNY 87, Kings Point 35
Ohio Wesleyan 64, Buffalo 43.
Ithaca 100 Cortland 57.
Hamilton 70, Upsala 57.
Hofstra 57, New York AC 50
Northeastern 69, Colby 53.
St. Bonaventure 51, Dayton 49.
Providence 80, Brooklyn College 74.
Siena 45, Niagara 39.
Bradley 59, Temple 50.
Kentucky 57 St. Johns (Bkn) 30.
Rochester 60, Toronto 41
Lebanon Valley 73, Scranton 54.
LaSalle 58, Albright 45
Syracuse 64, Boston University 50.
Fordham 65, St Lawrence 55.
Penn State 40, Wash-Jeff 38.
West Virginia 94, Bucknell 61.
Villanova 67 Lehigh 45.
Georgia 56, Buffalo 51
Long Island 65, Kansas State 60.
Texas 55, St. Joseph 54.
Rider 51, Geneva 47.
Lafayette 49, Stevens Tech 33
Muhlenberg 68, Seton Hall 60
Manhattan 88, John Marshall 60.
Wilkes 54, Utica 45.
Army 60, Union 45

MIDWEST

Illinois 80, Pennsylvania 61.
Minnesota 67, Depaul 50.
Michigan State 49, Iowa 43.
Cincinnati 64, Nebraska 46.
Drake 60, Kansas 44
Northwestern 68, Navy 43.
Oklahoma 64, Ohio State 55
Toledo 45, Chicago Loyola 44.
St Louis 61, Southern Methodist 49.
Marshall 66, Indiana State 65.
Detroit 55, Kalamazoo 52.
Hanover 58, Allegheny 56.
Centenary 50, Creighton 44
Akron 59, Ohio University 56
Kent State 70, Miami (Ohio) 55
Colgate 77, Western Reserve 72.
Muskingum 68 Otterbein 62.

SOUTHWEST

Texas Tech 68, North Texas 51.
Phillips Oilers 48, Bayer 29
Lackland Air Force 64, Corpus Christi 51.

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Jets Trade 3 Players To Fort Wayne Cagers

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The Jet management said it was an outright swap, with no cash involved.

Hale had been player-coach of the Jets but was replaced as coach two weeks ago by Burl Priddle. Indianapolis recently acquired the six-foot, eight-inch Mahanken from Baltimore.

The Jets are trailing the league's WWestern division with four victories in 21 starts. Fort Wayne is next to the cellar with eight victories in 22 games.

LOUIS ENDS TOUR

NEW YORK, Dec. -9 (AP)—Heavyweight champion Joe Louis winds up his 1948 touring tomorrow night at Lewiston, Me, when he meets Willie James of Boston in a four-round exhibition.

Carlos Rendich Wins South American Title

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 19 (AP)—Carlos Rendich of Chile won the South American heavyweight championship tonight by knocking out Raul Rodriquez in the 11th round of a scheduled 15-round fight.

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Firestone Local 336 Votes to Establish Sick Benefit Fund

Eighty members of Firestone Local 336, United Rubber Workers (CIO), voted at their meeting yesterday afternoon to set up a sick benefit fund for all plant union personnel.

A committee headed by T. Wilbur Baker, and including Carl Young and Gordon O. Drumheller, was set up to study benefit systems in other large local plants and to make recommendations to the executive board of Local 336 by mid-January.

The board then will set up a final plan, to be presented to the membership of the union for a vote.

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ROBERT E. GARBER, Local 336 president, explained that a vote would be necessary since the benefit plan would require the check-off of $1 to $1.50 monthly from the pay of each worker.

Some departments now have their own sick benefit funds, Garber said, but these are not all run on a uniform or well-organized basis.

Discussion of the many phases of the complex plan took up the greater part of yesterday's meeting in CIO hall, King street.

Thomas Newcomb and Garber were chosen unanimously as board members of the Pottstown Independent club, an organization of CIO locals. Garber was incumbent, and Newcomb succeeded Stephen Dujack.

Garber was in charge of the meeting.

MEDICAL MIRACLE —

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nearby, heard his calls and came to his aid.

The father immediately called Dr. Dotterer who, after a hasty diagnosis, ordered a Good Will ambulance to take the victim to St. Joseph's hospital, Reading.

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AT THE TIME, Dr. Dotterer gave him a week to live.

"I've had several patients with severed spinal columns," he said last night, "and all of them died within two weeks."

The seventh vertebra, at which point the spinal cord controls activity of all lower limbs, had been broken in the fall.

Stofflet stayed in the Reading hospital a month, after which he was sent home as a hopeless case. Subsequently he paid two visits to Temple university hospital, Philadelphia, the last time in 1938, and on both occasions he was pronounced incurable.

Before his accident he had worked for 15 years in the Boyertown Burial Casket company as a casket sander. It was the only job he ever held.

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BORN TWO BLOCKS away from where he died, he was the son of Lizzie (Smith) and the late Frank Stofflet. He lived in Hoffmansville all his life.

He was a member of Christ Lutheran church, Niantic, and Washington Camp 474, POS of A, Sassamansville.

Besides his wife, Mabel F. (Hoffman) Stofflet, and his mother, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters:

Verda, wife of Warren Moyer, Sassamansville; Lulu, wife of James Brendlinger, Norristown; Walter, Gilbertsville; Mary, wife of William Chrisiman, Perkiomenville RD; Paul, of Pennsburg; Henry, of Boyertown RD 1; Beulah, wife of Leroy Latshaw, Hoffmansville; and George, of Pennsburg.

Funeral services will be held from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with further services at Christ Lutheran church, Niantic. The Rev. George B. Pifer, pastor of Christ church, and the Rev. Elton L. Angstadt, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, Keelor, will officiate.

Interment will be in the adjoining cemetery, Niantic.

BAND CONCERT —

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"Set Down Servant," was well sung with the solo part carried by Doris Buck.

The Meistersingers also assisted the choir and band in the immortal "Hallelujah Chorus." This group of youthful vocalists also was heard in "Shepherd's Story" by Dickinson; "Carol of the Bells" and a West Coventry English carol, "A Merry Christmas."

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VOCALISTS ADDED greatly to the success of the concert. Miss Freda Schindler, popular contralto, was in excellent voice, and her solo, "Gesu Bambino" by Yon was a distinct feature. For an encore she sang "Little Jack Horner."

The band's trumpet sextet played an arrangement by Arlan Saylor, trumpeter of the band, of the "Second Hungarian Rhapsody" by Liszt. Saylor in his arrangement certainly exemplified the "New Look" in music. The number was suggestive of a Harry James presentation, which greatly pleased the audience.

Charles Hunsberger, with his accordion, is always welcome on a program. His playing of "Dizzy Fingers" displayed his digital dexterity and his encore "Lower" showed his good tonal qualities.

In a Christmas concert, the popular "White Christmas" by Irving Berlin is a "must" feature. This was given by band and vocalists in an enjoyable manner.

The rollicking "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" and "Snow White" from Walt Disney's picture "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" were given by the band with verve. The former was arranged by Saylor.

The band also was heard in "Snow Carnival" and "Sleeping Beauty Waltz."

O. C. Beacraft was announcer in his usual affable manner. The collection went toward the $400 balance owed on the band's new uniforms.

ACCIDENTS —

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highway another 30 feet before it stopped.

The entire right side, including the door, both fenders, bumpers and hood, were damaged badly in the accident, but none of the other occupants received more than a severe shaking-up and scattered bruises.

Also in the car, all from Keiser, were brothers Samuel, 30; James, 33; Ricardo, 15, and Edward, 26, the owner.

Hospital officials said last night that Dr. Coroniti's shocked condition prevented them from taking X-rays of his chest until today.

Trooper Eugene Brennan, of the West Reading barracks, State police, investigated.

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FRANK SIMCIK, 21, of 504 South Sixth street, Reading, suffered a cut nose and lacerated left knee at 6:30 o'clock last night on West High street, in a collision in front of the service station of John B. Hartenstine Jr. He was held in the hospital overnight for observation and leg X-rays.

Simcik was one of three men in a car that was in the middle of a three-vehicle collision.

Gene Rentschler, 21, of 1136 Church street, Reading, the driver, said he was heading west on West High street when a large truck-trailer, going east, suddenly began to turn left.

The young Reading driver, unable to stop on the treacherous highway, tried to steer around the large vehicle, but was unable to avoid a collision.

Rentschler's car struck the rear wheels of the trailer, which was driven by its owner, Ross P. Gordon, 31, of 243 Wilson street.

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GORDON POINTED OUT that the electric directional signal on his truck had been lit properly before he began to make the turn into the service station.

Rentschler, whose car was the worst damaged, also had it hit from the rear by the half-ton truck of Samuel S. Daub, 341 Fairview street, Stowe, who also said road conditions made it impossible for him to stop in time.

Robert Rentschler, 23, also of 1136 Church street, Reading, was uninjured in the crash, although he was taken in a Good Will ambulance to Pottstown hospital with Simcik. Oscar Hoffman was the ambulance driver.

The entire front end of Rentschler's car was crushed and the frame bent. The rear also was slightly damaged, as well as the front of Daub's truck. Gordon said the rear axle of his trailer was damaged in the collision.

Sgt. Daniel J. Linton and Motor Patrolman Lewis M. Borgiet investigated.

299-Day Hiccoughs Ended by Operation

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19 (AP)—After 299 days of hiccoughing, Pauline Lucas, 32, of Waynesburg, relaxed today in Montefiore hospital — almost certain she's cured.

An operation Thursday crushing her left phrenic nerve did the trick. Since she was stricken months ago the Waynesburg woman had been hiccoughing from 30 to 70 times a minute.

The operation was the second for Miss Lucas. Surgeons crushed the phrenic nerve on the right side of her neck Nov. 26. They explained there are two phrenic nerves running from the diaphragm to the brain.

The diaphragm is a muscular wall in the chest which causes hiccoughs by involuntary contractions. The operation was designed, surgeons said, to cause a temporary paralysis by cutting off communication with the brain.

How does Miss Lucas feel about the apparent cure?

"For the first time, I'm not jumping around from the waist up," she declared. "I can eat and sleep normally."

Child's Curiosity Ends In Badly Cut Finger

Because ten-year-old Arlene Luft, of 713 Water street, had a child's Christmastime curiosity in stray packages yesterday afternoon she may lose the tip of her right middle finger.

She was walking along Water street, near the Keim street bridge, at about 2:50 o'clock when she saw a bag with something in it.

Arlene reached for it, grabbed it then fell. Her 12-year-old sister, Myrtle, who was walking with her, tried to check the ten-year-old's fall but lost her balance.

The younger girl fell onto the street, with her hand tearing through the bag, against pieces of a broken beer bottle that the sack held.

At Memorial hospital, physicians sewed the tip to the rest of the finger.

Bartenders' Teamwork Puts Holdup Men to Rout

KITTANNING, Dec. 19 (AP)—Two masked gunmen received an unexpected reception last night from a pair of fighting bartenders at the Kittanning Country club. The gunmen fled in such haste they left one of their weapons behind—along with the $1000 they had expected to take from a safe.

The attempted holdup occurred just as the bartenders, John Bauer, 35, and Frank Bauer, 65, opened up for business. They are not related.

This is what hapepned, John said:

A masked man with a rifle stepped into the barroom and ordered the safe opened. Another man with a shotgun stood watch outside.

Frank started to open the safe. John saw an opening and tackled the rifle-carrying gunman. Frank picked up two bottles and let fly. One bottle hit the gunman in the head. He dropped his rifle and went out the door to join his partner. By the time the bartenders had summoned reinforcements the would-be holdup men had fled.

ENGLE DEATH —

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St. James Lutheran church, he also was a member of Stichter Lodge 254, F & AM, and the Pottstown Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving are his wife; a sister, Mrs. Emma Rhoads, Kenilworth; a

HARRY T. ENGLE

step-brother, Roy Engle, 332 Oak street, and two step-sisters, Grace, of Elkton, Md., and Mrs. Florence Fisher, of Douglassville.

Funeral arrangements, incomplete last night, were in charge of a funeral home at 404 High street.

Rev. Jared Concludes Pughtown Pastorate

The Rev. Charles W. Jared delivered his final sermon yesterday morning in Pughtown Baptist church, of which he has been pastor for the past 11 years.

He will leave early in January for his new charge in Hughesville, Lycoming county.

The Rev. Jared's final address in this area will be delivered Sunday, Dec. 26, at 7:45 p. m. in St. Peter's Baptist church. He has held this second charge for the past two years.

In his farewell to his friends of 11 years, the pastor paid tribute to those who had aided him in his work. He made particular note of help received from the organist, Mrs. William Symons, choir members and the Helping Hand class.

SEWAGE PLANT —

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tensify their attempts to secure State aid in the building of the sewage plants.

Without such aid, he indicated, the financial picture would not be bright.

He said that so far his office has received no formal word on the board's new ruling, but expects it any day.

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IN RECENT MONTHS, the borough has been working with engineers to draw up plans for the secondary sewage disposal plant that will be required by the board.

Sears asserted that these plans are in the final stages. After they are approved by the State, the borough can only wait until it gets orders to commence building the $400,000 plant.

"I hope it won't be too soon," Sears declared frankly.

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OTHER AREA COMMUNITIES that will be affected are:

East Greenville, Pennsburg, Red Hill, Spring City, and West Pottsgrove.

Royersford and Ursinus college, Collegeville, already have received construction orders from the board.

Pottstown built in 1931 a $400,000 sewage disposal plant that treats sewage to the point that a chlorinated, milky liquid is discharged into the river, rather than the sewage itself.

Since the water board has demanded that the sewage be transformed into a clear liquid, the borough must build a secondary plant.

Eight Persons Accepted Into Baltzell Church

Eight persons were accepted into Baltzell United Evangelical Brethren church yesterday at the morning service.

Before 88 other members, the Rev. John L. Smoker, pastor, accepted into the church Helen Yeager, who also was baptized, Mr and Mrs. Frank Speilman and sons, Frank Jr. and John; Mrs. Florence Evans, Mrs. Elizabeth Wheatley and Mrs. Theodore Graham, who was accepted by letter of transfer.

The Christmas program was presented last night at the 7:30 o'clock service. Carols and recitations were heard by a congregation of 109.

Ex-Ruler Jailed in Probe Of Ecuadorean Uprising

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Dec. 19 (AP)—A court investigating the past week's unsuccessful revolutionary plot in Guayas province ordered the imprisonment today of a former ruler of Ecuador.

The court ordered the arrest of Col. Carlos Mancheno, who ruled Ecuador for a short period after President Jose Maria Velasco Ibarra was overthrown in 1947. It also ordered Col. Pedro Icaza, on the army's inactive list, imprisoned as "a consequence of declarations received."

Military officers announced Friday they had thwarted the conspiracy with the arrest of seven civilians in Guayas province.

'GOIN' HOME' AUTHOR DIES

BROOKLINE, Mass., Dec. 19 (AP)—William Arms Fisher, 87, noted composer and music editor, died yesterday. He was best known for his arrangement of the spiritual "Goin' Home," from the Largo of Dvorak's "New World Symphony."

The ibis, sacred bird of ancient Egypt, is related to the stork.

Obituaries

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Charles Hall and Robert Breidenbach.

John B. Amwake, council chairman, was in charge of the rites, assisted by Earl F. Newton, David R. Williams, Theodore Keenan and Earl F. Antrim.

Taps were sounded by Douglas Schwenk.

Funeral services for **IDA S. (WEISS) BECHTEL**, widow of Lewis W. Bechtel, of **415 EAST VINE STREET, STOWE**, were held Saturday afternoon from St. Paul's Reformed church, Stowe.

The Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor, officiated. Interment was made in Pottstown West End cemetery.

Bearers were Lewis Saltzer, Warren Bechtel, William Bechtel, Clarence Bechtel, Harvey Bechtel and Leonard Bechtel.

Funeral services for **WILLIAM E. HARBOLD**, of **244 CHESTNUT STREET**, barber to two generations of Pottstown residens and the husband of Mame (Wentzel) Harbold for the past 52 years, were held Saturday afternoon from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street.

Officiating was the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church. Interment was made in Union cemetery, Boyertown.

Bearers were Burgess William A. Griffith, Arthur S. Kepner and William A. Stichter, fellow members with Mr. Harbold of the Brotherhood class of Emmanuel Lutheran Sunday school, and George L. Trout, Donald Bechtel and Bruce Bechtel, fellow members of Manatawny Lodge 214, IOOF.

SNOWSTORM —

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were closed in the county, representatives said.

Berks county, where the snow was 10 inches deep in spots, had 34 plows, nine graders and 24 cinder trucks, fully manned, on the roads.

School officials conceded the snow had them worried but all schools, except those already closed for holiday vacations, probably will be open today.

Pottstown and Lower Pottsgrove schools closed the past Friday, but St. Aloysius, West Pottsgrove, North Coventry, Warwick, Upper Pottsgrove and South Coventry didn't.

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ST. ALOYSIUS definitely will open. Upper Pottsgrove "will try," said Collier Rhoads, board secretary, although one road, Schwenk road, was known to be closed.

William F. Montgomery, supervising principal of Warwick, and Paul Grim, supervising principal of Norco, said roads were clear and school bells would ring.

South Coventry and West Pottsgrove schools both will have doors open, although authorities there were more doubtful.

Officials of both local bus companies doubted that buses were more than a few minutes late all yesterday, they said last night. Reading company trains were running on time.

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OTHER UTILITIES were having a fairly easy time of it.

On Saturday, however, half a block of store windows on High street between Hanover and York were darkened when an overload on the lines blew house fuses. The dim-out lasted from 4:55 to 5:15 p. m.

Willard L. Kline, manager of the Bell Telephone company office, said the number of calls had doubled yesterday and a dozen extra operators had been put on the switchboards.

It was a bad day out for man and beast and Boy Scouts.

Troop 12 of St. Aloysius Catholic church discovered it had chosen the wrong day to take a hike.

After 7 a. m. mass at the church eight boys and Ernest J. Dzuryachko, scoutmaster, started out for the Pottstown Community camp, Earlville, a good ten miles away.

They reached the camp wet and tired just before noon. It was about 5 p. m. when they felt ready to go back. But, thinking twice, they called James B. Kelly Sr., who took the hikers back in his car.

It's Not Even Winter Yet—Well, Not Quite

It may have looked like Winter yesterday, but it wasn't. The blue toes season rolls around tomorrow afternoon at 5.34 o'clock, also the shortest day of the year.

Yesterday's snow was exactly a week ahead of the past year's first big one. The day after Christmas the past year 5.8 inches came down.

KIMBERTON

Mrs. Clarence L. Funk, Kimberton, corr. Phone Phoenixville 6537. Lile McDonald, del. Phone Eagle 49-R-22.

About 50 people enjoyed a Christmas program held by Kimberton grange 1304 recently. The program was in charge of Mrs. Harry Davis and was in the form of an IQ quiz. Those taking part were:

Mrs. Frank Detwiler Jr., Mrs. Clyde Sheib, Miss Vivian Mooney, Mrs. Harold Roberts, Miss Joan Davis, Furman Gyger Jr., Dr. Myron Berk, Everett Wilson and Clyde Sheib.

The jackpot question was answered by Furman Gyger Jr. The quizmaster was Clarence Kennery, of Brandywine grange.

Ruth Gow told about Christmas customs in other lands and a piano solo, "The First Noel," was given by Jean Schmehl. "Hark the Bells," was sung by James Moyer, while Mrs. Furman H. Gyger Sr. and Mrs. Jules Prevost, of Chester Valley grange, sang a Christmas duet. Two recitations by Miss Elaine Kennery, of Brandywine grange, were heard.

Refreshments were served after Mrs. Anna Wilson told how to care for Christmas plants.

YULE PARTIES —

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youngsters, plus their parents, members of the Philadelphia Steam Fire Engine company, came to the Pottstown Senior High school auditorium for two hours Saturday afternoon for a showing of movies and the distribution of stockings stuffed with candy and oranges by St. Nick.

G. Henry Schmoyer, Phillies' president, was in charge of the party.

Daunting the rising tide of snow, 500 youngsters romped at the annual Christmas party of Nest 1393, Order of Owls, yesterday between 2 and 4 p. m.

Owls officials guessed that the weather kept between 100 and 150 away but, for those who made it, it was a roaring good time.

Entertainment consisted of a small orchestra and singers with the kids themselves getting into the act with recitations.

Orchesara members were Sonny Petro, drummer; Marcia Collins and Mary Huff, singers, Richard Bartman, accordionist, and Kenny Fryer, pianist. Dr. Louis Markowitz was master of ceremonies.

After the music had died in the big, decorated hall, Santa handed out teddy bears, dolls, baking sets, dartboard, footballs and sewing sets, according to the age and sex of the recipient.

Martin Friedman, chairman of the committee in charge, announced that children of members who did not attend the party can pick up their gifts at the Owls' home tonight or tomorrow night between 7 and 9 o'clock.

Aiding Friedman on the committee were Arthur Robenolt, Samuel Garber, Richard Kaas, Edward Gorman, Theodore Davis, Harold Warner, Joseph Miller, William Brown, Brooke Fosnocht, William Lessig Jr. and Sr., and William Nyman.

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AT THE BROOKSIDE Country club the average age of the 100 youngsters who raised the roof at a Christmas party Saturday afternoon was about five, the youngest ever the weekend.

They were enthralled at a professional act from Philadelphia, that included a magician, clown and juggler.

Then, vigorously if not with complete accuracy, they joined in Christmas carols, led by Kenneth Nichols, with W. Elwood Schmearer at the piano.

Each child received a book, from linen picture books for the youngest to easy readers for the older children. The books were inscribed with the youngsters' names.

Assisting Mrs. J. Robert Gray in planning and directing the party were Mrs. Joseph E. Tagert, Mrs. William A. O'Donnell Jr. and Miss Helen Baker.

Mrs. Carroll L. Rutter and Mrs. Gray decorated with red and silver balls the two 10-foot Christmas trees that stood in the Country club ballroom.

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FATHER BAILLY Council 1192, Knights of Columbus, sponsored a Christmas party for 300 children, in St Aloysius school hall.

After Grand Knight Peter J. Lawler welcomed the youngsters and their parents, W. Carroll Hadley Jr., master of ceremonies, introduced Robert Selinger, who entertained with accordion solos.

Christmas songs and carols followed, and then students of the Price Dance studio presented a group of specialty and group dances.

Those participating, under the direction of Johnny Price were Dolores Miller, Nancy Seltzer, Georgeanna Jacobs, Arlene Shaffer, Dixie Shirey, Baroara Cressman, Robert Cressman, Barbara Olock, Gwendolyn Mantnorne, Joan Bonner, Dollie Bacchi, Joan Romig, Rosemary Murphy, Barbara Galloway, Claudette Jacobs, Beryl Shirey, George Jacobs and Sheryn Sands.

Members of the party committee were Stanley Spoehr, Frank Formando, Harry M. Brown, James Piazza, Albert Berthold and Hadley. Auxiliary committee members were Mrs. Lillian Piazza, Mrs. Harry M. Brown, Mrs. Stanley Spoehr and Mrs. Hadley.

Hadley announced that children who registered for the party, but were unable to come, could pick up their gifts at the Marcelle Beauty shop, 323 King street.

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ALTHOUGH THE four-act vaudeville show which was scheduled didn't arrive to entertain yesterday afternoon's annual St. Gabriel's lodge Christmas party, every one had a goo dtime anyway.

The 310 children, mostly of lodge members, saw movies, and comic, and collected a harvest of candy, oranges and gifts from Santa Claus.

The vaudeville's appearance was canceled because of the snow.

The Holy Trinity club put on much the same kind of performance for 250 children of its members.

Cathered in the basement of Holy Trinity Catholic church, the kids saw movies and took candy and oranges from a Santa portrayed by Stephen G. Lazensky. Winners of a singing contest were awarded silver dollars.

The Rev. John Zboyovsky wished the group a merry Christmas.

The word "Riviera" is derived from the Latin word ripa, meaning bank and the portion between Nice and Genoa is usually referred to as "the coast of the setting sun."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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BICKEL—On Thursday, Dec. 16, 1948 Howard M., husband of the late Nora (nee Stevens) Bickel, age 77 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Pottstown, Pa., on Monday, Dec 20 at 2 p. m. Interment in Pottstown West End cemetery. Friends may call Sunday evening 6:30 to 8. (Houck)

ENGLE—On Friday, Dec. 17, 1948 Katheryn M. (nee Jordon) wife of Russell Engle, age 41 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Pottstown, Pa., on Tuesday, Dec 21 at 2 p. m. Interment in Highland Memorial Park. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 8:30. (Houck)

HENRY — On Thursday, Dec. 16, 1948, Owen L., husband of Emma (nee Miller) Henry, age 74 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Benner Funeral Home, Red Hill, on Monday at 2 p. m. Interment in St. Paul's Lutheran cemetery, Red Hill. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday evening. (Benner)

Card of Thanks 2

BECHTEL

The family of the late Ida S. Bechtel desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, the floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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The family of the late William E Harbold desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, the floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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Unfurnished apartment and office at 209 High street.
Charles McCarthy. Phone 1346-J.

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REAL ESTATE—RENT

Houses for Rent 69

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Wanted to Rent 76

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REAL ESTATE—SALE

Houses for Sale 78

Single brick home, 1461 Cherry Lane, 6 rooms, bath, finished game room in basement, screened back porch, other improvements Very good condition throughout. See owner on premises.

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NOTICE
The annual Stockholders Meeting of the ELLIS KEYSTONE AGRICULTURAL WORKS OF POTTSTOWN will be held Tuesday, January 11, 1949, at 4 p. m. for the election of a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be presented.
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ANNUAL MEETING
The Annual Meeting of the Goschenhoppen Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held at the office of the Company, Quakertown Ave. and Penn Streets, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania, on Friday, January 14, 1949, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 11 a. m. for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may legally come before the meeting.
JESSE R. HUBER,
Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE
The Annual meeting of the stockholders of The Citizens National Bank and Trust Company of Pottstown for the Election of Directors and the transaction of such other business that may be presented will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 11, 1949, between the hours of one and three p. m.
F. H. PETERMAN,
Cashier

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Pottstown Daily News Publishing Company, a Pennsylvania corporation with its registered office located at Hanover and King Streets, Pottstown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, will be filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa., on Monday, December 27, 1948, pursuant to the provisions of the Business Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved May 5, 1933, as amended and supplemented.
The nature and character of the proposed amendment is to increase the authorized capital stock of the corporation by amending Article 7th of the Articles of Incorporation so as to provide that the authorized capital stock of the corporation will be 1500 5% Cumulative Preferred Shares of the par value of $100 per share and 1100 Common Shares of the par value of $100 per share (the latter shares being the 1100 shares of capital stock presently authorized and not a newly authorized class of stock) and so as to set forth the rights and preferences of the Preferred Shares and the Common Shares.

NOTICE
Sealed proposals will be received until 5 p. m., Monday, 27 December 1948, at the Office of the Borough Manager in City Hall, King and Penn Streets, for the following electrical equipment.
1. One service isolating switch 400 amperes, 34,500 volt, 3 pole, single throw manually operated vertical air brake switch equal to Line Material Company catalogue No. H11Z3.
2. Three 34,500 volt fuse mountings and fuse holders and six 40 E ampere fuse refills. Fuse mountings equal to Westinghouse type BA 200 style No. 1305321, and fuse holders type BA No. 200, style No. 1043291. Fuse refills to be type BA 200, 40 E ampere, style No. 1314056. (Note: Three of the above refills are for spares . . . . . .)
3. Three 37,000 volt lightning arrestors, Westinghouse Type LVS or equal.
For any/all additional information required by the bidder, contact Albright & Friel Inc., Engineers, located at 1528 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
The Borough of Pottstown reserves the right to reject any/all bids or any part thereof.
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Business Reported On the Upgrade in Important Industries

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—The Commerce department said tonight that business continues on the upgrade for industries of most importance in the economy.

A falling off in business that has led recently to "some easing of inflationary pressures" has been in "certain non-durable lines" which have a lesser effect on general conditions, the department said.

The report was in tune with public statements by a number of Administration leaders that inflation still holds the dominant role in the economy, and a legislative program is needed to combat it.

The department, in a special analysis of production and marketing trends, said the rise in industrial production over the past year has been marked by a two way movement:

1. An expansion in output of most durable goods, notably iron and steel, and other industries which are heavy users of steel, such as automobiles.

2. A reduction in output in a number of lines like clothing, radios, vacuum cleaners, textiles and leather, along with a dropping of prices as demand slackened.

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THE DEPARTMENT said November developments were characterized chiefly by "a high volume of output and employment" even though there was "some easing of inflationary pressures."

Simultaneously, the department released a report saying that "marked shifts in the industrial structure of the economy have taken place since 1929."

Chiefly noted in the report:

Manufacturing and trade, the two biggest industrial divisions, are accounting for a much larger proportion of total national income—nearly half of it at the present.

Agriculture, along with forestry and fisheries, also has made a slight increase in the percentage of the national income it supplies (9.5 percent) despite a marked decline in the proportion of the population engaged in farming.

RECEIVED BY POPE

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 19 (AP)—George V. Allen, U. S. assistant secretary of state for public affairs was received in private audience today by Pope Pius XII.

To Wed Today

Actor Victor McLaglen (above) announced in Reno, Nev., yesterday that he and Mrs. Margaret Pumphrey will be married today. It will be the screen star's third marriage and Mrs. Pumphrey's second.

3 Gunmen Get $1500 In Robbery of Store

SOMERTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Three gunmen slugged a 46-year-old man and bound two elderly women Saturday night before fleeing with $1500.

Victims of the robbery were Mrs. Mary Jones, 55, widow of the vaudeville and radio star Billy Jones; Mrs. Ada Dean, 60, housekeeper for Mrs. Jones, and Henry Eckhoff, 46, an employee of Mrs. Jones' general store.

Police said one of the men slugged Eckhoff with a piece of pipe.

House Unit Says Soviet Union Controls U. S. Electrical Industry Through Union

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—A House labor subcommittee reported today that Russia controls the strategic U. S. electrical industry through Communist domination of the CIO Electrical Workers union.

The report, made after a four-month investigation of the big union, said this situation is a "serious threat" to the nation's security and can result in "national tragedy."

Representative Kersten (R-Wis), chairman of the subcommittee, said in the findings that:

1. Communists have seized control of the electrical union's "national office, the executive board, the paid staff, the union newspaper and a number of its districts and locals."

2. The "large body" of the union's 600,000 membership are "loyal Americans but they are under Communist control."

3. Defense contracts on which members of the union are working include work on atomic energy machinery, jet propulsion, radar, signaling devices and electrical instruments for airplanes and submarines.

"The hold of the Communists on America's electrical industry," the report said, "is the hold of Communist Russia. It is Communism in action—now. It is not an historical, it is a present danger."

Kersten's subcommittee held hearings July through October in New York, Washington and Schenectady to get information on the union. Schenectady is the site of a General Electric plant which Kersten described as the largest electric plant in the world.

SWIMMING MISHAP FATAL

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 19 (AP)—Alfred Chupalla, 18 year-old Hazleton, Pa., youth, died yesterday as a result of a broken neck suffered in a swimming accident the past Nov. 5.

Every day some 6,000,000 people travel New York's 237 miles of subways and elevated lines.

Man's Hands Lacerated In Fight, Police Report

Robert McKinney, 32, of 417 Cherry street (rear), was treated for lacerations of both hands in Memorial hospital dispensary late yesterday afternoon. Police reported McKinney's wife cut him with a knife.

No charges were brought against Mrs. McKinney by her husband or by police, since the quarrel was patched up when McKinney returned from the hospital.

He told Motor Patrolman Thomas A. Lawler that his wife, Mary, sliced the backs of both his hands during a fracas. Later, Mrs. McKinney declared the cutting had been done in self-defense.

YOUTH KILLED IN ACCIDENT

POTTSVILLE, Dec. 19 (AP)—Daniel Niadna, 21, of nearby Middleport, was killed early today when the automobile in which he was riding was struck by a Reading railroad passenger train.

ACCIDENT INJURIES FATAL

JOHNSTOWN, Dec. 19 (AP)—George W. Oldham, 28, of Colver, died yesterday of injuries suffered in an automobile accident Friday. Oldham's car overturned on a highway near Colver.

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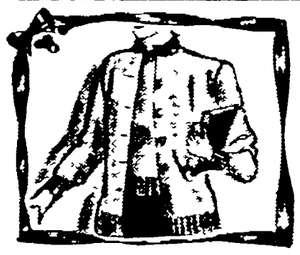

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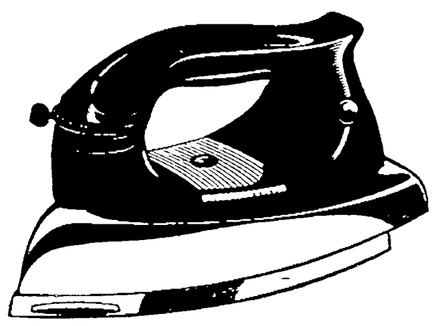

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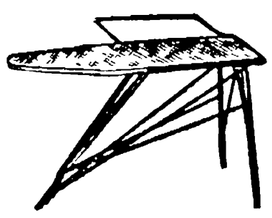

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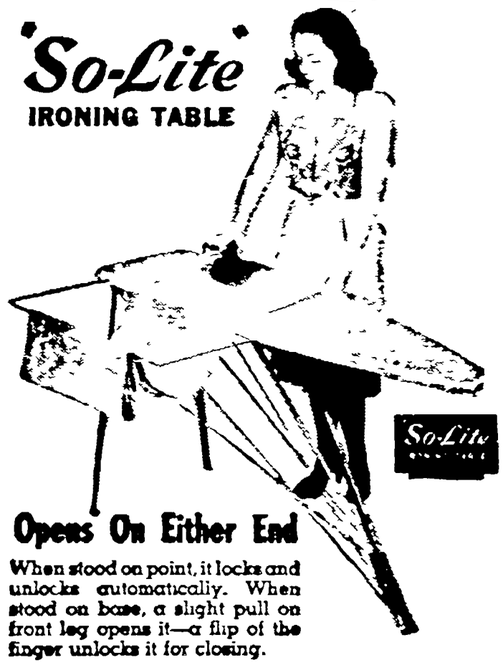

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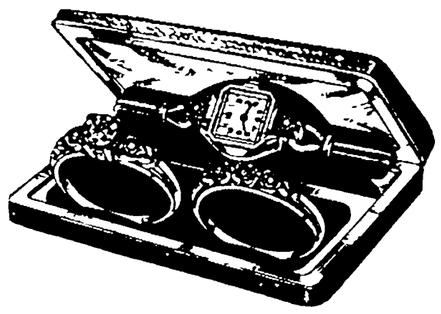

It may strike you as funny that a store that carries jewelry should feature the idea that it is a jewelry store. But by what's going on in some of them, it seems to us we ought to emphasize our definition of "jewelry store."

We don't have any $25,000 bracelets or $4,000 pocket watches bordered with diamonds. But we do have a gorgeous solitaire fit for the hand of any girl—the finest in our store, from $75.00 to $3,000.00.

We haven't any 69c glass beads or watches with names you never heard of. But we do have Elgin, Hamilton, Bulova, Benrus, Gruen watches at all prices.

Whatever you buy at Stone's must be the real thing—no matter what the price.

Manufacturers of shoddy merchandise keep away from us—they know we will have no part of it.

This is not the kind of jewelry store where you are greeted by salesmen in morning coats and striped trousers and carnations in their lapels.

We are pledged to an honest and ethical presentation of all merchandise, without flowery or misleading expressions.

Our store is not the kind that insults the time-honored term "jewelry" with a lot of tawdry, cheap type of merchandise that has no place in the company of quality jewelry.

This is a store for nice people who like nice things priced for modest incomes. And a store that makes it easy to own quality things.

Since 1885 we have catered to these folks, won their confidence. Grandmas have sent in their daughters. Daughters have brought in their daughters for their engagement rings. Anniversaries have been honored by presents from us.

We are especially proud of this continuing family confidence. It is the thing that has built Stone from a simple little store in 1885 to what it is today.

We look forward to your Christmas visit.

STONE'S JEWELRY STORE
210 HIGH STREET

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